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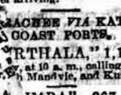

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" 34.	Quarto.	Six days to a page, Sunday at foot, interleaved with blotting paper		10 by 8 "	0 14	1 0
" 33.	"	A week in an opening, with space for Sunday		10 by 8 "	1 2	1 4
" 33.	"	Interleaved with blotting pap r		10 by 8 "	1 12	2 0
" 32.	Folio.	Foolscap size.	A week on a page	12½ by 8 "	1 2	1 4
" 32.	"		Interleaved with blotting paper	12½ by 8 "	1 12	2 0
" 31.	Folio.	Foolscap size.	A week in an opening, with space for Sundays	12½ by 8 "	1 4	1 7
" 31.	"		Interleaved with blotting paper	12½ by 8 "	2 4	2 8
" 23D.	"	Pocket Diaries, Gilt.	A week in an opening	12½ by 1 "	1 12	2 0

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DISTRIBUTION, 24TH DECEMBER, 1895.

Dial Number.		Rs.
10856	Thos. Sutton, O. R. Ry., Lucknow	1,000
10740	G. Hucker, Secunderabad, Deccan	500
2042	Moti Gurung, care of Jemadar Adjt., 1-3 Gurkha Rifles, Bareilly	100
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In the Chronograph Watch we have an independent centre second hand which can be released, stopped and returned to Zero by three distinct applications of pressure to the winding Coronet or in the case of Hunters and Half Hunters to a small stud at the side of the Case. The three actions of the long hand in no way effect the movement of the Watch, nor will the Watch cease to record the progression of time as the Stop Watch will do.

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DURING 11 YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.

Year.	New Assurances.	Net Premium Income.	Invested Funds.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1883	87,18,240	16,45,048	53,22,048
1894	1,09,16,794	33,98,357	1,80,52,0[illegible]

It will thus be seen that in Eleven Years the Net Premium Income has more than [illegible] whilst the Funds show an Increase in a still larger proportion, which considerable expansion affords convincing testimony of Good Management and Sound [illegible] and promises splendid results in the future.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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VICTORIA THEATRICAL COMPANY,
Under the Distinguished patronage of
H. E. THE GOVERNOR OF BOMBAY,
TO-NIGHT, SATURDAY, the 18TH INSTANT,
The successful and much admired Hindustani Opera of
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PRICES OF ADMISSION.—Rs. 1-8, Rs. 1, as. 12, as. 8, and as. 4.
The Theatre will be illuminated with electric lights.
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THE CONCERT advertised for the 23rd instant, has been UNAVOIDABLY POSTPONED.
D. MACDONALD, M.D.,
Honorary Secretary.

CLEARANCE SALE.
GREAT REDUCTIONS
AT THE GRAND EXHIBITION
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ALICE BUILDING, HORNBY ROAD,
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25 per cent. Discount on the Original prices.

THE ANCHOR LINE S. S. "ARMENIA" has ARRIVED from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL, and discharges in the VICTORIA DOCK.
Consignees are requested to present their Bills of Lading for our COUNTERSIGNATURE, and to take DELIVERY of their GOODS without delay.
Packages exceeding 30 cwts. in weight will be landed on the Quay at the Risk and Expense of Consignees, unless Boats are sent alongside to take DELIVERY without delay.
Consignees are hereby expressly notified that all Claims for Damage must be adjusted by the Steamer's Surveyor before the Goods are removed from the Landing Shed. The Undersigned decline all Responsibilities in respect of Goods removed to the Unclaimed Warehouse. All Claims must be presented before the sailing of the Steamer, otherwise none will be Recognised.
Captain CLARK will attend every morning to survey Damages.
W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents.
Graham's Buildings, Bombay, 17th January, 1896.

S. S. "RUFFORD HALL"
ARRIVED ON 17TH JANUARY, 1896.
CONSIGNEES are requested TO TAKE DELIVERY of their CARGO from the VICTORIA DOCK. Chalan or Broken Packages must be surveyed before removal from the Landing Shed. The Undersigned decline to survey GOODS removed to the Unclaimed Warehouse.
Lifts exceeding 20 cwts. will be delivered into Consignees' Boats, and, if not alongside in time, will be landed or placed in Boats at Steamer's option at their risk and expense.
Captain CLARK will attend every morning to survey Damages, &c., and all Claims must be certified to by him and sent in within a month of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be paid.
EDWARD BATES & Co.,
Agents.
Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 17th January, 1896.

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HORMUSJEE COWASJEE PETIT.
Bombay, 16th January, 1896.

NOTICE.
THE RIGHT of COLLECTING ROAD and BRIDGE TOLLS, in the Satara District, for the 12 months, commencing from 1st April, 1896, will be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION by the Collector, on MONDAY, the 9th March, 1896, in the Collector's Office, at the Residency Bungalow, Satara. For further particulars apply to the Huzur Deputy Collector, Satara.
C. B. WINCHESTER,
Collector.
8th January, 1896.

LONDON AND LANCASHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
CAPITAL £2,127,500 Sterling.
RESULTS OF 1894.

Net Premiums	£846,213
Profit—Including Interest	94,980
Dividends for the Year.....	42,550

LOSSES paid during past TEN YEARS.
£4,014,952 Sterling.
SPECIAL FEATURES.
Fire Business only transacted.
Policy Holders incur no liability.
Absolute Security.
Risks Surveyed free of charge.
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MUNICIPALITY OF BOMBAY.
NOTICE.
SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay up to 2 P.M., on MONDAY, the 27th day of January, 1896, for the SUPPLY of Articles required for the Feed and Care of Animals in the Victoria Gardens.
2. Form of Contract, Specification, &c., may on payment of Re. One be obtained from the Undersigned, who will on application give any further information that may be required.
3. Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 200 to be paid to the Chief Accountant in cash, or public securities, and to be forfeited in case of withdrawal of Tender or of refusal to sign the Contract.
4. A further payment to make the total deposit equivalent to 10 per cent. on the Contract amount will have to be made by the Contractor whose Tender may be accepted.
5. The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.
By Order of the Municipal Commissioner,
C. D. MAHALUXMIWALA,
Superintendent, Municipal Gardens.
Victoria Gardens Office, Bombay, 16th January, 1896.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.
THE BOMBAY PRICE CURRENT AND SUMMARY OF TRADE.
Published at the *Bombay Gazette* Office on the Departure of the Overland Mail for Europe.
The Bombay Price Current contains—
A Specially-Written Market Report.
Freight Report, &c.
Summary of Cotton Exports during the Week
Imports and Exports of Bullion.
Comparative Summaries of Exports from Bombay up to date as per Ships' Manifests, with the total Exports for the month, and for the same period, as far back as 1870 and 1878, respectively.
Comparative Summaries of Imports, of Piece-Goods, and of Yarn into Bombay from Great Britain up to date, with the total for the month, and the same period, as far back as 1870 and 1878, respectively.
Share Lists and Rates of Exchange.
List of Vessels in Bombay Harbour on the date of publication, and Arrivals and Departures of Vessels during the Week.
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Rs 27-10, CASH.
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Both our AFTERNOON and EVENING PERFORMANCES
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We make a study of pleasing and delighting the Ladies and Children at our
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Seats secured daily at C. MITCHELL and I Co.'s Cigar Store, Medows Street.

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A Speciality for
PRINCES, RAJAS, CHIEFS, and NAWABS.
PORTRAITS of Princes, Rajas, and Chiefs
ENLARGED ENGRAVED, SILVERED, GILDED, and Painted on Ornamental Mirrors in full Uniforms.
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OF WORK
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Paintings on Canvas got faded and Colours Cracked, but our paintings on glass remain for ages fresh and clean as on the day they were done.
THEY ARE LIFELIKE, ARTISTIC IN FINISH AND LEAVE NOTHING TO BE DESIRED.
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SALES BY AUCTION.
MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co., No. 4, FORBES & MEDOWS STREETS, FORT.
SALE OF MILL STORES, &c.
Under instructions, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co., will sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1896, at 3 p.m., at their Sale Rooms, No. 4, Forbes and Medows Streets, Fort; consisting of leather belting, I R valves, I R sheet, C I valves, copper side lights, wire springs, mules, shuttles, ruling, sizing and wheel brushes, galvanized bath tubs, wrought iron, soft soap, cylinder oil, W metal babbits, shovels, picks, handles, lead line, music box, &c.
SALE OF HOSIERY, BLANKETS, LEATHER BELTS, &c,
By order of C. A. Turner, Esquire, Official Assignee, H. C.; and in re Esmail Allarukhia an Insolvent, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1896, at 2 p.m., at their Sale Rooms No. 4, Forbes and Medows Streets, Fort, consisting of socks and stockings, blankets, night caps, flannel shirts, neckties, handkerchiefs, towels, baby jackets, remnants of cloth, wooden cupboard, reading boards, old carpet, pillows, &c.
Also by order of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, consisting of gold fine-ring, silver buttons, embroidered velvet border and caps, metal watch, brass pots, old clothes, coal, leather beltings, &c.
Also China matting (of a gentleman).
MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.
Bombay, 13th January, 1896.

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UNIVERSAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.
[ESTABLISHED 1834.]
ASSURANCES effected for the Whole Term of Life and for Short Periods at Low Rates of Premium.
ENDOWMENT ASSURANCES payable on attaining the Age of 45, 50 and 55, or previous, in the event of Death, also Granted.
POLICIES issued in Sterling if preferred, the Premium being payable at the Current Rate of Exchange.
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For Prospectus and Full Particulars
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LAST BONUS declared at the rate of £1 10s. per cent. per annum on sum assured.
All the Advantages of Modern Practice offered.
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Net Fire Premiums received in 1894, £2,032,450.
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Further particulars may be had on Application to
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AGENTS:	BRANCH OFFICE:
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FIRE INSURANCE.

	Exclusive Reserve Fund.
The NORTHERN ASSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	£ 3,000,000
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The TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL.....	M 6,000,000
The NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL.....	„ 7,500,000
The HAMBURG-BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL.....	„ 6,000,000
The FIRE INSURANCE Co., of 1877, CAPITAL.....	„ 2,600,000
The BALOISE FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	Frs 10,000,000
The BATAVIA FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL	Fl 3,000,000
The SAMARANG FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL.....	„ 2,000,000

MARINE INSURANCE.

The GENERAL MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL, incig. RESERVE FUND	£ 3,000,000
The NEW SWISS-LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL.....	Frs 4,000,000
The BATAVIA MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL.....	Fl 3,000,000
The SAMARANG MARINE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL.....	„ 2,000,000
The NETHERLANDS-INDIA SEA and FIRE INSURANCE Co., CAPITAL..	„ 2,250,000

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NOTICES.

KING, KING & Co.,
BANKERS AND AGENTS, BOMBAY
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened, and Interest allowed at 2 per cent. per Annum on the minimum balance, if not drawn below Rs. 500 during the preceding half-year.
FIXED DEPOSITS received subject to three, six and twelve months' notice of withdrawal at Rates to be ascertained on application.
BILLS of EXCHANGE and TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS on the London, Calcutta, and Madras granted at the best rate of the day.
REGULAR FAMILY REMITTANCES arranged, and Pay Pensions, Dividends, &c., realized.
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REGIMENTAL and PERSONAL AGENCY of every description transacted. Passages engaged on best terms possible. Baggage, Cargo, and Parcels shipped or cleared, and orders for Stores and Regimental Requisites executed.
HENRY S. KING & Co., LONDON.

NOTICE.
TREACHER AND COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE Public are CAUTIONED against AGENTS claiming to be Representatives of this long-established Company or to be connected with it, and against all other persons using the name thereof or similar names without authority.
The OFFICES, SHOPS, and GODOWNS of TREACHER and COMPANY, Limited, are situated in the following places only—
BOMBAY, ESPLANADE ROAD.
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The Company has no connection whatever with any Firm or PERSON using a similar name or any other name than that of "Treacher and Company, Limited." All accredited Agents of this Company will be provided with a Written Authority Signed by the Manager, and no Lists, Periodicals, or Books are genuine unless they bear the Full Name of the Company thus—
TREACHER AND COMPANY, LIMITED,
BOMBAY, BYCULLA, AND POONA.
WILLIAM CARTER,
General Manager.

BANK OF BOMBAY.
NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 17th, to FRIDAY, the 31st instant, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
JAS. H. SLEIGH,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 8th January, 1896.

BANK OF BOMBAY.
NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 31st December last, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, free from Income Tax, will be payable on application on and after MONDAY, the 27th instant, to registered Shareholders on 31st December, 1895.
By Order of the Board,
JAS. H. SLEIGH,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 9th January, 1896.

LORD REAY MEMORIAL FUND.
A MEETING of the SUBSCRIBERS of the above FUND will be held in the Rooms of the Chamber of Commerce on TUESDAY, the 21st January, 1896, at 5 P.M., for the purpose of dealing with the balance.
JOHN MARSHALL,
R. M. SAYANI,
N. G. CHANDAVARKER.
NOWROSJEE N. WADIA,
Honorary Secretary.
Bombay, 11th January, 1896.

PROFESSOR RICHARD, M. E., and Dr MALONEY, M. L. A., Melbourne, is COMING on a PROFESSIONAL VISIT for a SEASON to BOMBAY, OPENING NIGHT, TOWN HALL, FEBRUARY 10th. Admission Free.

INSURANCES.
THREE IMPORTANT FACTS
ABOUT THE
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1.—OVER HALF A MILLION STERLING per annum is being paid in Death Claims year by year.
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N.B.—POLICIES ISSUED IN RUPEES OR IN STERLING.

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BOMBAY OFFICE.—29, ESPLANADE ROAD.
LIFE, ACCIDENT AND GUARANTEE.
LIFE DEPARTMENT.
THIS Company offers unusual advantages to intending Assurers. The tables are popular and easily understood. The POLICIES are the most liberal offered to the Public, and ARE FREE FROM ALL UNNECESSARY RESTRICTIONS. WORLD-WIDE and UNCONDITIONAL Policies. LARGE GUARANTEED BONUS OF 2 PER CENT. per annum on the sum Assured.
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 17.

BUSINESS generally has remained very slow during the past week; and though Cotton has been taken to a fair extent by local spinners, exporters have been very small buyers, and prices of this staple have latterly been upon the downward move again. There was a firmer feeling in Wheat at the beginning of the week, and a slight advance in rates; but the tone soon became only steady again, and in this market, as in Seeds, only moderate transactions for shippers' account have been reported day by day. While the feeling as to Exchange has oxcillated between firm and quiet, the fluctuation in rates has not been more than 1-32d., and we close this evening that much higher for Bank Demand Paper than our quotation of last Friday, but unchanged for three months' sight Credits. Government Paper has been weak upon the whole, but rates are now on a level with those which ruled a week ago. Money is in fair demand, but hardly dearer. Freights have been quiet at about last week's quotations; but there has been little enquiry for tonnage in any position. There has been a better demand for Imports from the mofussil markets; but except in the case of Bleached Goods which have advanced slightly in value, there has been no improvement to speak of in prices.

MONEY.—Although the state of the Money market during the period covered by the Statement of Affairs of the Presidency Bank issued on Monday did not necessitate any further advance in the Bank's rates, the Return disclosed in every item which goes to show the position of the trade demand for Money a considerable increase in that direction. In place of the large accession to Private Deposits shown by the previous Return there had been some reduction; while both in Loans and Bills discounted there was a considerable addition last week; the total increase in trade requirements having been some 33¼ lakhs, compared with a falling off of 27½ lakhs in the week preceding; while the Bank's Cash Balance had diminished by 22½ lakhs, at 210½ lakhs, having been helped by the realization of Government Securities, and a net increase of about 6¾ lakhs in Public Deposits at the Bank's head office and branches.

Money continues in fair demand; but it has not been found necessary to raise the rates of the Bank of Bombay yet; and the minimum remains at 5 per cent.

EXCHANGE opened last mail-day with a firm feeling at 1s. 2d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 2 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits, and improved to 1s. 2 1-32d. for Telegraphic, at which the Bazaar bought a fair amount. A few Merchants' Bills were also placed at 1s. 2 1-8d.; but this description of Paper was scarce. On Monday the market opened quiet at 1s. 2d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 2 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits, and closed at 1s. 2 3-32d. to 1s. 2 1-32d. for Telegraphic, at which the Bazaar bought a fair amount. A few Merchants' Bills were also placed at 1s. 2 1-8d.; but this description of Paper was scarce. On Monday the market opened quiet at 1s. 2d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 2 3-32d. to 1s. 2 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits, a moderate amount having been placed at the former rate; also some ready at 1s. 2 1-32d. to a fair extent, rates having then become, 1s. 2 1-8d. and 1s. 2 1-16d. respectively, at which again a little was reported. On Wednesday the tone of the market was steady at 1s. 2d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 2 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits. Of the latter Paper very little was offering; but re-sales were made to a moderate extent at 1s. 2 1-16d., and for a time Telegraphic was available at 1s. 2 1-32d. Yesterday rates were firm at 1s. 2 1-32d for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, at 1s. 2 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits, at which rates a little was reported; but as Merchants' Bills were scarce for all deliveries, Bank Paper receded to 1s. 2d., and the market closed quiet. The market opened steady at 1s. 2d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 2 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits; but the enquiry either way to-day has been very limited, and, for a time, rates looked easier, closing, however, slightly firmer, as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	.....	1s. 2 to 1-32d.
Do.	Telegraphic	..... 1s. 2d.
Do.	3 months' sight	..... 1s. 2 1-16d.
Do.	4 do.	... 1s. 2 3-32d.
Do.	6 do.	... 1s. 2 1-8d.
Credits	3 do.	... 1s. 2 1-8d.
"	6 do.	... 1s. 2 3-16d.
Documents	3 do.	... 1s. 2 5-32d.
"	6 do.	... 1s. 2 7-32d.
Francs	3 do.	... 1-49
"	6 do.	... 1-49½

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—The market was fairly steady last mail-day with 105 1-16 quoted for Cash and 104 13-16 for the February Account, these having been also the closing rates. On Monday the market was weak, and rates had further declined, closing quotations having been 105 for Cash and 104½ for the February Settlement. On Tuesday the market was again weak, and 104 7-8 was the Cash quotation throughout the day, with 104½ named for the next settling day; but at closing rates hardened, an old 1-8 per cent. higher. Steadier in tone the next day rates were maintained at 105 1-8 for Money and 104 15-16 for Account, which were also the closing quotations. Yesterday the market was weak at 105 1-8 for Cash, and 105 for the coming settling day which rates were quoted all day, and left off unchanged. There has been a better feeling, however, in the market to-day and rates have improved to 105¼ for Money, and 105 1-8 for Account, at which they closed.

Municipal 5 per cent. Loan is quoted at 130, nominal. Port Trust Bonds are ¼ per cent. higher, at 106¼.

SHARES.—Again during the past week the movement in this market has been chiefly in sellers' favour. The prices of Mill Scrip are higher almost without exception; and in Presses there has been an advance in rates generally. Compared with last Friday's quotations our list this evening shows an advance of Rs. 50, in New Great Eastern; of Rs. 45, in David; of Rs. 40, in Framjee Petit; of Rs. 35 each, in Central India, China, and Khandeish; of Rs. 30 each, in Alliance and Sassoon; of Rs. 25 each, in Coorla, and Lukhmidass; of Rs. 20 each, in Hyderabad, Oriental, and Soonderdass; of Rs. 15 each, in Bombay Cotton, Howard and Bullough, Indian Manufacturing, and Star of India; of Rs. 17½, in Sun; of Rs. 12½, in Jamshed; of Rs. 10 each, in Hindustan, and Mazagon; and of Rs. 5 each, in Mahalaxmee and Swadeshi; and a decline of Rs. 35 in Empress, of Rs. 5 in Colaba Land; and of Rs. 4 in Leopold; in Presses Mofussil Co., are Rs. 5½ lower, while Sind, are Rs. 25 higher; Volkarts, Rs. 17½; New Berar, Rs. 10; and New Indian, Rs. 3½. In Miscellaneous Shares Bombay-Burmah Trading, have advanced Rs. 50; while Kemp and Co., have declined Rs. 3; and Marcks and Co., Rs. 2. In Banks, Bank of Bombay shares are Rs. 10 lower; and Commercial and Land Mortgage, Rs. 3.

IMPORTS

PIECE-GOODS.—There has been a good deal of improvement during the past week in the demand for staple *Grey Goods* from the up-country markets, without, however, leading to any appreciable advance in prices. Holders are still willing sellers, and buyers have begun to operate more freely than for some time past. Stocks show a slight falling off. In *Bleached Goods* a large business has been done, and there has been a slight improvement in the prices of light and medium makes of *Mulls*, *Jacconets Nainsooks*, and *Shirtings*. The takings of *Dyed*, *Turkey Red*, and *Printed Goods*, have been small. Of *Imported Goods* the total clearances amount to 4,100 packages; and of *Local* about 1,000 bales.

YARNS.—With the improvement in China markets here, China buyers have purchased very freely, which has led to an advance of 1-16 anna per lb. in last week's prices. Some spinners have sold ahead to June and July; and the feeling in the market is very strong. Sales for the week are put down at 15,000 bales, the following being the official quotations at which the market closes:—

Twist.....	No. 6s	Mule, As.	4½	to	4¾	per lb.
"	" 8s	" "	4¾	"	5	"
"	" 10s	" "	5	"	5¼	"
"	" 12s	" "	5¼	"	5 5-8	"
"	" 16s	" "	6	"	6 5-8	"
"	" 20s	" "	6¾	"	6 5-8	"
"	" 24s	" "	6¾	"	6 7-8	"
"	" 30s	" "	7	"	7¼	"
"	" 40s	" "	8	"	8¼	"

METALS.—Only a middling business has passed in *Copper* and *Yellow Metal*, and prices have declined 8 annas for the former and 4 annas for the latter, while the tone of the market has been steady. In *Iron* also only a middling business has been reported, at prices the same as before, in a steady market.

COAL.—Owing to the high inward and low outward freights Importers are unwilling to operate; but those dealers who have bought cheap Coals are selling at a good profit, and a considerable business has passed during the week. Powell's Duffryn ex s. s. St. "Irene" was sold from Rs. 19½ to Rs. 20¾ per ton; and ready Davison's West Hartley ex s.s. "Songships" from Rs. 17½ to 18 per ton. Large sales have been reported of February-March and March-April shipments at Rs. 18½ to Rs. 18¾ per ton, and the market closes firm and advancing. We quote alongside:—

Welsh Hartley.....	Rs. 17	per ton.
West do.	" 18	"
Australian	*Nil.*	
Powell's Duffryn...	Rs. 20¾	"
Cardiff	" 20	"
Japan	14¾	

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—At the end of last week a fair business was done in this staple, both by exporters and local consumers, in a steady market, and at a slight advance in prices, all round; but since then, though the Mills have been moderate buyers, shippers have taken very little, and rates have receded several rupees per candy, though the tone of the market has remained steady. The week's purchases by exporters sum up about 4,500 bales, consisting entirely of ready new Comrawattee descriptions, and Bengal; while the Mills have taken some 9,000 bales of the same descriptions and a little old Comtas and Dholleras kinds. This evening the market closed quiet, with prices Rs. 1 to Rs. 7 lower than they ruled a week ago.

The Receipts of Cotton of the new crop into Bombay during the past week have been 59,000 bales, compared with 48,000 bales to hand in the week preceding, and 32,000 bales in the corresponding week last year; and the excess in arrivals of new Cotton this season compared with last now stands at 290,000 bales.

The weather was cloudy, though without rain at Bellary, when Monday morning's official reports were despatched from the Cotton-growing districts; but from all other quarters the news was of a favourable tenor, the weather having remained bright and seasonable. In the Dholleras circle Cotton was arriving in small quantities at Bhownugger, and at Wadhwan and Dholleras itself picking had partially begun.

There was little that called for comment in the weather and crop reports to hand yesterday. The weather had remained fine and seasonable over the whole of the Cotton areas. Arrivals were increasing at Broach; at Bhownugger, where picking had become general, Cotton was arriving in small quantities; and the plants were flourishing in the Dharwar district of Hubli.

The following are to-day's quotations for full-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool via Canal, without Commission, viz.:—

Cotton—		Per candy.	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	January	Rs.	127-3 5-32d.
Do. Fully Good	"	"	126-2 27-32d.
Do. Good	"	"	148-2 11-16d.
Broach, Fine	"	"	193-3 13-32d.
Do. Fully Good	"	"	183-3 1-4d.
Khandeish, Fully Good	"	"	187-3 5-16d.
Comra, Fully Good	Jan./Feb.	"	216-3 19-32d.
Dholleras, Fine	May	"	218-3 13-16d.
Do. Fully Good	"	"	208-3 21-32d.
Do. Good	"	"	202-3 9-16d.
S G Dharwar, Good	"	"	209-3 21-32d.
Westerns	"	"	199-3 17-32d.
Broach, Fine	March	"	220-3 31-32d.
Do. Good	"	"	228-3 15-16d.

The Arrivals of New Cotton into Bombay this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

	Season. 1895-96.	Season. 1894-95.
	F. P. Bales.	F. P. Bales.
Bengals	172,500	38,500
Berar	180,500	54,500
Khandeish	160,500	57,300
Barsi and Nagpur.....	23,500	2,000
Hinganghat	9,500	300
Persian and Sind	4,000	1,000
Broach	3,000	...
	553,500	153,500

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1895. Bales.	1894. Bales.	1893. Bales.
For the week	59,000	35,133	44,000
From 1st to 16th Jan.	13,515	7,819	9,396
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week	48,000	35,133	18,515
From 1st to 16th Jan	26,203	6,725	35,670
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the week	1,579	6,310	267
From 1st to 16th Jan	2,331	7,193	4,101

WHEAT was firm in tone at the beginning of the present week, and prices partially advanced half to one anna per cent.; but only a moderate business for shippers' account was reported, and the feeling afterwards became steady again, with no increase of business nor further change in prices, which remained as follows:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent.	Rs. 4-8-0	per cwt.
Do do. 85 "	" 4-7-0	"
No. 1 Club Delhi.....	" 4-6-0	"
Red Delhi	" 4-4-0	"
Hard Yellow	" 3-14-0	"
Red Ahmedabad	" 4-4-0	"
Hard Red.....	" 3-7-6	"

SEEDS have been in moderate request for shipment throughout the week, the market having been generally steady in tone; but with the exception of an advance of one anna per cwt. in *Linseed*, there has been no movement in prices, of which the following are our closing quotations this evening:—

Linseed	Rs. 7-0-6 to Rs. 7-2-6	per cwt
Rapeseed, Yellow Gusarat..	" 7-3-0 to " 7-4-0	"
Do. do. Cawnpore	" 6-11-0	"
Do. Red	" 6-5-0 to " 6-9-0	"
Gingelly, White.....	" 41-0-0 to " 42-0-0	per candy.
Do. Mixed.....	" 38-0-0 to " 39-0-0	"

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	1895. cwts.	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.
Wheat for the week.....	57,715	73,297	82,842
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January	151,166	143,716	212,307
Linseed for the week	11,202	14,439	38,775
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January	26,824	35,420	79,150
Rapeseed for the week ...	3,799	12,271	11,578
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January.....	7,247	37,720	37,977
Gingellyseed for the week	39,396	71,877	53,285
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January.....	102,310	162,603	149,874

The Clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	1895. cwts.	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.
Wheat for the week	20,000	21,220	129,416
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January	27,470	56,320	283,616
Linseed for the week ...	22,859	20,867	16,903
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January.....	30,035	36,632	52,660
Rapeseed for the week...	48,105	12,336	6,202
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January	123,634	46,021	42,462
Gingellyseed for the week	89,606	122,033	54,490
Do. from 1st Jan. to 16th January.....	120,853	156,015	117,093

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JAN. 16.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet.

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The Manchester market has been steady.

2½ per cent. Consols	107 13-16
3 per cent. Rentes	101½
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan.....	117
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper.....	61½
Bar Silver	30½

The sum of about £160,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Total Bullion, £46,100,000, increase, £690,000; Public Deposits, £8,500,000, increase, £1,300,000; Other Deposits, £52,200,000, decrease, £600,000 Other Securities, £37,000,00 unchanged; Notes and Gold £37,100,000; increase, £700,000. The Bank's Reserves 61 per cent. of the Liabilities.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, JAN. 16.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Ranald, from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, arrived here this morning.

LONDON, JAN. 16.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Matheson, arrived here this afternoon.

LIVERPOOL, JAN. 16.

The City Line steamer City of Edinburgh, left here for Bombay this morning.

ADEN, JAN. 17.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Goloonda, left here yesterday evening.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

JANUARY 17.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teneran, perfect. Via Turkey perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect. Via Bhamo, interrupted.

AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Teneriffe, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.

Cable Perim Obcock, interrupted.

Cable Kouakry Sierra Leone interrupted.

Bhamo route to China interrupted beyond British frontier between Tingyueh and Yingchang.

Cable San Thome Loanda, interrupted.

Key West route to South America and West Indies interrupted.

Madagascar and Reunion mail closes at Mauritius, at noon, Tuesday, the 21st instant.

THE BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

(Compiled for despatch by the Weekly Mail to Europe.)

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TELEGRAMS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

OUR RELATIONS WITH FRANCE.

LONDON, JAN. 17.

The French press declare that until the Egyptian question is settled, the relations between France and England cannot be materially altered, notwithstanding the Mekong agreement.

Under the agreement, the details of which have just come from Paris, France obtains Mongsin and Mekong. The Buffer State has apparently been abolished.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT RESPECTING SIAM.

The Anglo-French Agreement in regard to Siam was signed on Wednesday. By it the Mekong becomes the French boundary to the Chinese frontier.

Great Britain and France undertake to refrain from any armed advance in the Valley of the Menam, but the Siamese territory, east and west thereof, is excluded from this clause.

THE ORDER FOR NEW CRUISERS.

The Admiralty state that tenders are only invited for five third-class cruisers, and not ten, as was stated at first.

THE PRISONERS AT PRETORIA.

Sir Hercules Robinson telegraphs that the prisoners at Pretoria, between fifty and sixty in number, are mostly Rand reformers. They are charged with high treason.

It is alleged that President Kruger has evidence of a plot to seize the Transvaal.

British Counsels will watch the trial of the prisoners in the High Court.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, JAN. 16.

The Bombay mails of the 4th instant, arrived at Brindisi to-day.

SUEZ, JAN. 17.

The P. and O. Co's s. s. Ballarat, with the outward mails of the 10th instant, left Suez at midnight on Thursday.

STEAMER COLLISION AT RANGOON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, JAN. 17.

The steamer Chusan, with English mails from Calcutta, early this morning collided with and sank a Burmese canoe which was riding at anchor in the fairway of Rangoon river without lights. A boat was at once lowered, and nine men picked up, but one is still missing.

THE MOGOUNG COLUMN.

The Mogoung Column for the Hukong Valley leaves Kamaing to-day. The force consists of 150 Gurkha Military Police under Lieutenants Prendergast and Pooller. Mr. Moore is the Civil Officer, and Mr. Thompson, Forest Officer; Lieutenant Causey, the Intelligence Officer, and Mr. Faulkner Executive Engineer. Their orders are to meet the Wuntho and the Assam party on the 1st February.

A SANGUINARY ENCOUNTER WITH DACOITS.

Particulars of a sanguinary encounter with dacoits in the Hanthawdy District, a few miles from Rangoon, have just reached here. A gang of five dacoits attacked the house of a local Burman official, bound him, stole his money, and stabbed his daughter to death. The villagers were aroused, and surrounded the house, and after a severe contest forced their way in. The dacoits fired several shots, and with spears wounded two of the attacking party, but the whole band of dacoits cut down three, one killed on the spot, and the other two dying next day. The captives, a Burman official, and the Burman who led the villagers are badly wounded.

THE MANDALAY DURBAR.

On Thursday evening, the Chief Commissioner held a Durbar of the Northern Shan Chiefs at Mandalay. It was attended by practically all the Chiefs and notables of the States, also a large number of Civil and Military officials. A guard-of-honour was furnished by the Royal Scots. A number of Chiefs received honours and rewards, among them being the Venerable Thibaw Sawbwa, who received the C. I. E., conferred on him in the New Year Honours' List. The Native Officers were then presented to Sir Fryer, who, in a long and interesting speech, reviewed the progress made by the Shan States and Upper Burma during the past ten years. Altogether the function was a highly successful one.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

POONA, JAN. 17.

Army Medical Staff—Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Eaton is posted to the Nagpore District, on rejoining this Command from Allahabad.

Surgeon-Major Lyle, on arrival from England, is posted to the Bombay District.

On vacating the appointment of Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General for Musketry, Bombay Command, Lieutenant-Colonel Curtis, half-pay, British Service, is directed to proceed to England, and should report his arrival in England to the Under-Secretary of State for War, War Office.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-General, Commanding the Forces, Bombay, is pleased to make the following appointments:—

13th Bombay Infantry—Surgeon-Lieutenant Standage, to the officiating medical charge, vice Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Haliday, on sick leave.

19th Bombay Infantry—Surgeon-Lieutenant Hooton, to the officiating medical charge, vice Surgeon-Major Ferguson, M.B., proceeding on sick leave.

25th Bombay Rifles—Surgeon-Lieutenant King, to the officiating medical charge, vice Surgeon-Major Anderson, transferred temporarily to Civil employ.

Captain Norie, Middlesex Regiment, will be attached to the 20th Hussars, Mhow, to undergo a course of training prescribed by paras. 58 and 59, Staff College Regulations, 1890, from the 10th February, 1896, and he will travel at public expense.

Military Works Department—Lieutenant Joly de Lotbinière, R. E., Assistant Engineer, 1st grade, on return from leave, is posted to the Bombay Command, Military Works, and is attached to Aden District, Military Works, for duty.

With reference to paragraph 5 of the rules regarding the appointment of Acting Paymasters, under the provisions of Clause 124, India Army Circulars of 1890, it is notified that Lieutenant Pearson, Lancashire Fusiliers, has completed a course of instruction in the Military Accounts Department, Poona, and is reported to be qualified for the appointment of Acting Paymaster.

Under instructions received from the War Office, it is notified that Major Simpson, No. 23 Company, Southern Division, has been transferred to the 17th Field Battery, R. A.; and Major Connolly, No. 11 Company, Western Division, to the 23rd Field Battery, R. A. Second Lieutenant Rambaut has been posted to No. 11 Company, Western Division, R. A., vice Mayne, seconded.

The undermentioned are reported to have passed the required examination in the following languages:—

Hindustani—Higher Standard—Lieutenant Bingham, Loyal North Lancashire Regiment; Second-Lieutenant Bigg-Wither, Royal Fusiliers; and Second-Lieutenant Griffith, Unattached List, British Army, attached Durham Light Infantry.

Lower Standard—Lieutenant Kelly, R. A.; Lieutenant Muter, R. E; Second-Lieutenant V K. Birch, Royal Irish Rifles; Lieutenant Hall, Middlesex Regiment; and Second-Lieutenant Parsons, attached Middlesex Regiment.

Persian—Lower Standard—Lieutenant Paul, 26th Bombay Infantry.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India, on medical certificate, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the leave to have effect in India from the date of being struck off duty till date of sailing:—Captain Scarce, S. C., Wing Commander, 14th Bombay Infantry, for one year (pension service sixteenth year commenced 1st May, 1895).

The undermentioned officer has been granted leave to proceed out of India, on private affairs, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the specified period to count from the date of being struck off duty:—Major Alexander, Second-in-Command, 10th Bombay Light Infantry, for six months (pension service twenty-fifth year commenced 7th December, 1894).

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence:—

Military Works Department—Captain Chapman, R. E., six months, on medical certificate, out of India.

Royal Dublin Fusiliers—Captain Downing, twelve months, on private affairs, out of India.

Staff Corps—Major Alexander, 10th Bombay Light Infantry, an extension of three months, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

THE LATE DHULIA RIOTS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

BHIWNDI, JAN. 16.

A large meeting of Mahomedans was held in the Madanshah Library, under the chairmanship of Mr. Alisaheb Paki, and a resolution was passed, calling upon the Government of Bombay to appoint a Commission of Inquiry into the Dhulia Mosque shooting affair, and grant justice to the relatives of the deceased persons.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.

CALCUTTA, JAN. 17.

The betting on the Civil Service Cup is at a standstill, owing to the uncertainty as to whether Patiala's ponies will run or not. All the Maharajah's horses are scratched for to-morrow's races in consequence of the Maharanee's death.

PRESIDENTSHIP OF THE I. A. C. S.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor has been selected for the office of the President of the Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science.

THE KURRAM GARRISON.

The reduction of the Kurram permanent Garrison has been effected.

CAPTAIN HEXT.

Captain Hext, R. N., Director-General, Indian Marine, gives over charge of his appointment temporarily on the 1st February.

APPOINTMENT.

Mr. Craig is likely to be appointed Personal Assistant to the Secretary to the Legislative Department, Government of India, vice Mr. F. C. Wigley.

BREVET PROMOTION.

The question regarding the Brevet promotion in the Indian Staff Corps is likely to be reconsidered shortly by the Military Department of the Government of India.

FURLOUGH.

Mr. Hill, Inspector-General of Forests, has now definitely decided to proceed on furlough on Mr. Ribbentrop taking over charge of the Department in Calcutta in March next.

THE KALKA-SIMLA RAILWAY.

Mr. Prestage has submitted to the Government an entirely new plan for the construction of the Kalka-Simla Railway. The estimate is now considerably under that submitted to the Public Works Department last April.

INTERCHANGE OF STOCK AND TRAFFIC ON INDIAN STATE RAILWAYS.

Mr. Burt, late Under-Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, will, on return from leave, be placed on duty in connection with the proposed new rules regarding the interchange of stock and traffic on the Indian State Railways.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS.

Home Department—The services of Lieutenant Vaughan, I.S.C., are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces for employment as officiating Cantonment Magistrate.

The Rev. Spence Gray is appointed Senior Chaplain.

Mr. O. C. Lees is appointed to officiate Under-Secretary to the Government of India, during the absence of Mr. N. F. Mackenzie.

His Excellency the Governor-General has appointed the following gentlemen Fellows of the Calcutta University:—Justice Sale; Lieutenant-Colonel McArthur, R.E.; and Surgeon-Major Gibbons.

Public Works Department—Mr. Hebbert, Under-Secretary to the Government of India, is appointed to officiate as Manager of the Burma State Railway, during the absence of Mr. Mathew, C.I.E.

Mr. H. L. Monk will officiate as Engineer-in-Chief of the above Railway.

The services of Colonel Jacob, Superintending Engineer, have been replaced at the disposal of the Military Department.

Major White, R. E., is confirmed in the appointment of Consulting Engineer to the Government of India for Railways, Calcutta.

Mr. H. Rigg is confirmed as Consulting Engineer to the Government of India for Railways, Lucknow.

Lieutenant Brady, R.E., is appointed to the Public Works Department, and posted to the State Railways.

Military Department—The following officers have been admitted to the Staff Corps:—Lieutenants R. H. B. Anderson and C. P. Wynter; and Second-Lieutenants S. B. Watson and Hogg.

The following officers have been promoted to the Indian Staff Corps:—To be Captain—Lieutenant Carnaus.

Good service pensions have been awarded to Colonel J. M. Sym, C. B., and Colonel A. G. Handcock, C. B.

Sepoy Bal Singh, 6th Punjab Infantry, is awarded the Order of Merit, 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry in the Tochi Valley on the 13th May, 1895, when he, while acting as Orderly to Lieutenant Limond, rushed to the rescue of that officer, who was attacked by four armed fanatics. He dispersed four men, and engaged one in single combat, wresting from him his sword, with which Lieutenant Limond had been stabbed, and receiving in the melee a bad cut on the hand, and a bullet wound in his side.

Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Bainbridge is granted the temporary rank of Surgeon-Colonel, while officiating as P. M. O., Sind District.

Major Hore resigns his Commission in the Bombay V. R. C.

Marine Department—Commander Powell, R.I.M., is permitted to retire.

Foreign Department—Captain Brown, I. S. C., is appointed Cantonment Magistrate, Baroda Camp.

Mr Faulkner is granted privilege leave for two months and one day.

His Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to recognise the appointment of Mr. Cowasji Dinshaw Adenwalla as Acting Consul for Portugal at Aden.

THE REVOLT OF THE CADDIES.

For the last morning or two, the Bombay golfers in general, and Mr. Pestonji, the Gymkhana factotum, in particular, have had their equanimity disturbed by a revolt of the caddies. The services of over thirty of these young gentlemen are required daily (Sundays, of course, excepted), and the recognised pay to each caddy has been two annas a time. As the round of the links does not occupy more than an hour and a-quarter at the outside, the profession cannot be regarded as an underpaid one, seeing that the *chokras* have the whole day to themselves after eight or half-past. It now and then happens, however, that some of the more enthusiastic golfers will play round the links a second time in one morning. A notice affixed to the golf board by the committee states that two annas is the daily wage "for one or more rounds," and particularly requests golfers not to give more. This notice has been up for some time, and has been duly acted upon much to the dislike of the *chokras*, who (doubtless after many consultations when smoking their *biddees* in a quiet nook), resolved upon a bold bid for a revision of the scale, by which a double round would mean a double fee. Thursday, being a match morning, the names of twenty players were down, and a dozen other golfers could be reckoned on to turn up. Thus argued the John Burns of the Bombay caddies; and his advice for the *chokras* to "go out" on this occasion, when their services could least be dispensed with, was acted upon. The *sahets*, who did not bring their own boys, called for their usual *chokras* in vain. However, Mr. Pestonji, a man of considerable resource, detailed for the special duty of carrying round the sticks the boys in the service of the Gymkhana, who are usually employed in the early morning in keeping the tennis courts in order. Upon this there were defections from the ranks of the strikers, and one "blackleg" after another caved in. They were rewarded for doing so next morning by the grant of tickets from Mr. Pestonji as caddy licenses, and these will in due course be replaced by more permanent tin plates consecutively numbered. The youths who remained on strike were not permitted to enter the Gymkhana in pursuit of their customary avocation, and yesterday morning stood in a sullen group outside the Gymkhana grounds to discuss the situation. This victory of the bloated capitalist may attract the attention of labour leaders at home. But before they wax eloquent in regard to the wrongs of the Bombay caddy, they should obtain information as to how favourably two annas for an hour or two's work in the early morning compares with the daily wage on which an Indian coolie brings up a large family.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB CHALLENGE CUP RACES.

SECOND DAY.—Saturday, 18th instant.—To start at 2-15 p.m. The course for the second race will be from the Pilot Schooner to the north Karanja buoy, thence to the south Karanja buoy and back to Pilot Schooner, leaving all marks on the Starboard hand twice round.

The following are the entries:—

Janetta, Lugger..Crossed pick and shovel on White.....Lt R St J Gillespie
Eileen, Lugger ...Red with White Star...Surg-Maj H W Boyd
Red Rose, Dinghy ....Blue with Star of India.
Centre .....Capt John Hext
Melody, Lugger..White with Blue, M ..J B K Macbeth, Esq
Kismet, Lugger .....
Sloop .....Blue with Red chevron W P Symonds, Esq
Scrita, Cutter.....Blue with a wide stripe of white and a narrow one of Red down the middle .....E S Luard, Esq

Time allowance.

	Melody	Janetta	Scrita	Red Rose	Eileen
	M S	M S	M S	M S	M S
Kismet	0-44	4-22	6-14	12-28	13-53
Melody	..	5-38	5-30	13-44	13-9
Janetta	..	..	1-52	8-16	8-25
Scrita	..	..	..	7-14	13-38
Red Rose	..	..	..	..	6-25
Eileen	..	..	..	..	..

A new serial story, entitled "Clarissa Furiosa," by Mr. W. E. Norris, begins in the January number of "The Cornhill Magazine," where Mr. S. R. Crockett's "Cleg Kelly" will be followed by a story in three parts by James Payn, entitled "The Disappearance of George Driffell."

NOTES FROM LONDON.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 27.

The "muddy Christmas and sloppy new year" which the cynic wished his friends bids fair to be a reality this season. Never was there more abominable weather than we have had, beginning on Christmas Eve. A high, nipping wind, sleety showers, and seas of that greasy mud for which London is famous, all combined to make the festival as uncomfortable as could well be imagined. Fortunately, people have got into the habit of doing as much of their Christmas shopping as possible a few days before hand, and Christmas Eve was comparatively quiet. Three years ago, the two days before the twenty-fifth, were passed in Cimmerian darkness. The most hardy had to give up buying, in despair, and the consequences to the shopkeepers were disastrous. Since then we have profitted by bitter experience, and so arranged matters as to be independent even of that worst of all atmospheric afflictions—a London fog. The church decorations lost much of their prettiness this year from the absence of berries on the holly, and except where the artificial berry was introduced there was a sad lack of vivid tone about the greenery. The showy Poinsettia was largely used, with white flowers. The handsome Church of St. Mary Abbotts had a large rood-screen of evergreens, surmounted by a cross in red berries, and the Church of the Carmelites, close by, was a mass of graceful festoons of green, falling from the centre of the Sanctuary in the form of a canopy. Here was a lovely creche, all the work of one brother, aged sixty-five.

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Two capital gift books have opportunely made their appearance. One, "Autographs and Birthdays of Eminent Persons," contains *fac similes* of the autographs of hundreds of celebrated men and women, opposite to the date of their birth. Some unexpected juxtapositions are to be found. For instance, Nell Gwyn and Hannah More have the same natal day, as have sturdy Oliver Cromwell and the gentle John Keble; Peter the Great of Russia, and the beautiful Duchess of Devonshire both come on the 9th of July. Mendelssohn and Lord Salisbury came out together, Shakespeare and Turner—Michael Angelo and Mrs. Browning, Livingstone and Sir Richard Burton, Zola, and Cardinal Antonelli, Guy Fawkes and Princess Beatrice, Wellington and the Duke of Connaught, Jay Gould and Vanderbilt, Gordon and Stanley, are some of the interesting pairs whose calligraphy has been put before us by the research of Mrs. Rushton, the Irish lady who has compiled the book.

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"The Spinsters' Scrip," bound like an old-fashioned manuscript and tied with blue ribbon, has been compiled by Mr. Cecil Raynor, and is as amusing as it is pungent. "Is Courtship bliss? Marriage is blister" appears the text for the 2nd of January, "Give me a man that we may fight together, Love sentimental means," Leigh, "no man in good earnest," "To marry is to domesticate the Recording Angel," "Marriage the transformation scene in which two fools become two devils," "Marriage, monotony multiplied by two," "Marriage is a going home by daylight after courtship's masquerade," A woman enjoys two days of happiness on earth, when she takes a husband, and when she buries him," "Before I was married I used to drink tay, but since I am married 'tis the buttermilk whey; before I was married I sat in the parlour, but since I am married 'tis in the ashcorner" are samples of the comfort and advice to be found in the "Spinsters' Scrip."

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Princess Christian was the hostess at the last afternoon tea of the winter season at the Royal School of Art needlework last Saturday, and naturally a crowd of members and associates put in an appearance on the occasion. The Princess wore a dark green cloth gown with paler satin on the bodice, under a trellis work of jet, and a black bonnet, trimmed with green and gold shot ribbon and heliotrope flowers. Princess Victoria of Schleswig Holstein wore a black velvet toque with white osprey, and a knot of white lace, a navy blue gown, and a pretty black velvet cape lined with pink satin, and embroidered in jet, with little medallions of the satin showing through. The ladies who have the honour of Princess Christian's acquaintance came up to present themselves to her while she sat at tea, and a few were made to sit down. Among these were Mrs. Bancroft, and Mrs. Beerbohm Tree, and the Marchioness of Granby, the latter looking very artistic and *spirituelle*. The Princess looked rather sad, as was natural with her son away in Ashantee. She is the most devoted of mothers, and would not allow anybody but herself to get Prince Victor's things together when he was preparing for the expedition.

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A most fascinating exhibition of Spanish Art has just been opened at the New Gallery, under the patronage of the Queen Regent of Spain. Not only have a few collections of works by Spanish artists from the early part of the fifteenth century to our own time, and many quaint pictures of a previous period, by artists unknown, but delightful specimens of lace, embroideries, armour, tapestry, pottery, and ecclesiastical work. There is an excellent show of Murillos, and the harder pictures of Valezques—indeed, some of the best productions of these great painters are now hung on the walls of the Regent St. Gallery. Looking at the portraits, one is struck by the amazing ugliness of the subjects, and by the wealth of detail in their toilets. Valezques contrives many portraits of Maruna Austria, the second wife of Philip IV., with what is often call a "sur-faced" woman with a fearful and wonderful arrangement of hair and head-dress like a large cosy—with the stuffing pulled out at one side. The children are husked up and bedizened like the grown-ups, with ruffs, swords, hoops, etc. With the exception of the portraits, the subjects are nearly all religious, but the figures of Scriptural story appear in the costume of the period in which the painter lived. In Murillo's series representing the career of the Prodigal Son—that hopeful is arrayed in large hat and drooping plumes, except in the canvas dealing with his return, when he and his immediate family are like Jews, but even in this there are three figures in Spanish court dress introduced at the side. The curios are too rare and interesting to be despatched in a few words here.

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Lady Evelyn Gordon Lennox, who is to be married to Captain Cotterell of the Life Guards on the 4th, is having some very pretty gowns in her trousseau. The wedding gown, of white satin, draped on the train with lovely old Brussels Point, had an exceedingly smart bodice entirely covered with an embroidery of blossoms and trailing stems, wrought in fine silver beads and sequins, with the flowers of white *crepe de Chine*. It fits tight to the figure, but in front, on a line with the bust, starts a box pleat, set in with little folds of lisse. At the back there is a strap of the silver embroidered satin, also framed with folded lisse. The going away gown is a dark blue cloth with plain skirt, and the bodice worked over in blue *paillettes* with glints of gold, forming a floral design at the top, and falling in showers to the waist. The full front of the corsage is of white lisse, flecked with the blue paillettes, kept down by wide straps of the spangled cloth. Round the arm holes are bands of sable, matching that used on a blue velvet mantle, which—with a velvet toque—completes the travelling costume. An evening gown of rose pink satin has one sleeve, and one side of the bodice of graceful draped satin, and the other of silver spangled white chiffon. On the chiffon shoulder is a bow of pink satin and on the satin one a trail of soft pink velvet roses. A black velvet even-ing gown is remarkable for the jet trimming, which falls in festooned chains all round the *decolletage*, and over the short sleeves, which terminate in bracelets of jet openwork similar to that encircling the waist. A tea gown was in white moire velours, a glorified sort of moire antique. It had a deep sailor collar, brought as a fichu in front, of fine white muslin and Valenciennes insertion. Below the collar behind was a V-shaped piece coming to the waist, and a very long wide sash to be tied in with one of white satin ribbon. The gown to be worn by Lady Caroline Gordon Lennox is of grey moire velleurs, with a zouave bodice of darker velvet, edged with rosettes of black satin ribbon enclosing,—each one—a diamond button. There is a vest of cream satin embroidered in violets and foliage in natural shades, in tiny ribbons, and from each side of the zouave falls a basque of black net, spangled, and with applique sprays of white Brussels lace. The bridesmaids' dress is charming: they have worked honestly for their owners and saved multitudes—would be interesting. Let us get one together.

TABLE TALK.

[BY WALTER BESANT.]

LONDON, DEC. 27.

DECEMBER 21 enjoys the general reputation of being shortest day in the year. As a matter of fact there are four shortest days during which we of London enjoy darkness for sixteen hours and a quarter—from the 20th to the 23rd inclusive. My information is derived from Whitaker. From his valuable pages I also learn that there is not one longest day, but three longest days, during each of which we have as much sunshine as in December we have star shine. Let us, however, reckon the 21st as the shortest day, and let us congratulate each other that the new year has practically begun, and that the evenings are lengthening again. I always feel as if one cannot have too much daylight; one would alternate from Pole to Pole so as never to have any night; in the Vision of the New City it has always pleased me to think that there will be no night there. Think of the horror anciently belonging to the long winter nights when from four in the afternoon till eight in the morning the city lay in darkness; when there was no light but the firelight, and if the people were too poor to have a fire they must lie in the dark. Think of the dismalness when, centuries later on, even only a hundred years ago, the shops and the rooms of the poorer sort were lit by a single candle. Think of the cook holding a tallow candle in one hand and a frying pan in the other—with the results! Think of walking about the streets in pitchy darkness—to be sure, the apprentices went first with clubs and a lantern. It was all very well for rich folks who could light up their rooms with dozens of lovely wax candles—no light so beautiful as that of wax candles; but for the poor the glimmer of the rush light or that of the farthing dip was all they had. The darkness of the winter was more horrible than the frost and the snow, and the cold rain and wind. One thing they could certainly do by the simple glow of a sea coal fire: they could push the jug about, and at this festive season, they did.

The Christmas box nuisance is upon us once more. Yet it is certainly decreasing. Fewer people ask for it; those who do are for the most part errand boys employed at greengrocers' and the like. Formerly everybody asked for a Christmas box, including the masters and employers and shopkeepers. To one class we never grudge the Christmas box—to the postmen. But even in their case my faith in the Christmas box has received a shock. For I read in some evidence given before the Committee on Post Office establishments that, while a postman might make as much as £13 by his share of the Christmas boxes, that fact is considered in the wages, and postmen employed on indoor work have an allowance of 3s. a week to make up for getting no Christmas box. This shows the Christmas box in the light of a rate. If every man who has an office in the City gives 12s. 6d. to the different postmen, and if the rent of his office is £100, that means a rate of a penny in the pound. Perhaps it would be better to pay the men altogether by the Department.

We are already beginning to reckon up the losses and the gains of the year. In that branch of human achievement with which I am naturally most interested—literature—the reckoning is full of interest. In poetry we have had volumes from Mr. Watson and from Sir Edwin Arnold; otherwise there has been a dead silence. It seemed a year or two since as if there was going to be a revival in the love for poetry; but the indications flickered and died out. It will come back again, however, some time. Three poets have died—Christina Rossetti, F. Locker Lampson, and Lord de Tabley. One more new novelist has stepped to the front; most of the others already in the front have kept up their reputation by their latest books; there has been an astonishing quantity of biographies and memoirs—notably those of Sir James Stephen, Freeman, Bartle Frere, Dean Church, and Lady Eastlake. There have been two or three very notable books, such as Balfour's "Foundations of Belief," Nordau's "Degeneration," Matthew Arnold's "Letters," &c. "Trilby" has run, and is still running, her amazing course. And the world has lost Huxley, Seeley, and Stevenson. On the whole, a year of creditable production, but saddened by cruel deaths.

It is always a pleasure to read about miracles and their workers. Therefore one follows the course of the American shoemaker with peculiar interest. He has healed thousands, he is said; people are found in any number to testify to the fact that he has actually driven out disease by simple touch. Well, it is not so very wonderful: this American is only one of a long chain. Faith healing never quite disappears. In the Middle Ages every shrine was a miraculous physician, which cured multitudes. The evidence as to the Incredible is in this respect too strong to be cast aside. In the last century we consigned all such stories to the ragbag of Superstition. They were the monstrous inventions, we said, of priests. We now understand things a little better: we cannot disbelieve but believe. Exaggerations there are; pretences, inventions, gross lies; but yet there remains the simple fact that nervous affections have been cured—at least, for a time—either by persons professing to possess the power, or by patients believing that such persons do possess the power, or by faith in an image, or by faith in prayer.

But it is absurd to speak of this latest practioner as if he was alone in the world, the only faith-healer. The thing is perfectly common in our own country; it goes on every day before our eyes, if we will only look. I have before me a little book on the subject, showing the kind of work that is done in this country and in America. There is a whole literature on the subject; there are at least five monthly magazines devoted to faith-healing; ten years ago there was a Conference of Faith-healers held in London, at which over two-hundred people testified that they had been healed by faith. It was a great pity that their cases were not examined scientifically. The leaders say, moreover, that in Australia as much as £13 by his share of the Christmas boxes, that fact is considered in the wages, and postmen employed on indoor work have an allowance of 3s. a week to make up for getting no Christmas box. This shows the Christmas box in the light of a rate. If every man who has an office in the City gives 12s. 6d. to the different postmen, and if the rent of his office is £100, that means a rate of a penny in the pound. Perhaps it would be better to pay the men altogether by the Department.

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The same kind of faith applied to charms instead of persons has proved equally miraculous. Without faith the charm has always proved a conspicuous failure; with faith—the evidence is difficult to get at, but one may fairly suppose it to be so from such evidence as we can command—the results are eminently satisfactory. For instance, in the sixteenth century one Banaster, a practitioner to me unknown, claimed or boasted that he had cured at least 200 persons by hanging "Abracadabra" round their necks—in other words, by writing this magical word on a slip of parchment and tying it round the neck of the patient, without prayers, or incantations, or anything; just that one powerful and miraculous word. On the other hand, in the fourteenth century, a man was haled before the Mayor's court charged with pretending to cure a sick woman by means of a charm written on parchment and tied about her neck. The Mayor, remarking that one might as well stick a straw in the woman's shoe ordered the usual procession with music and a huddle to the place of pillory. There was another charmmonger later on who ordered the word—still "Abracadabra," —to be eaten, so he pricked it in the rind apple, and the patient proceeded to devour it. Most unfortunately the core of the apple stuck in his throat and choked him, upon which there was trouble. I believe that the use of charms still continues in a modest, subterranean fashion. Formerly, of course, there were charms for everything: a soldier came safe out of action—his charm made him bullet-proof; a sailor returned in safety from his voyage—by virtue of his charm. As for those who did not get home safe, no one enquired whether they had charms upon them. We are growing so credulous in these days, that I am really astonished not to find charms openly advertised and sold. They would, I am sure, command a large and ready sale. An edition of real, *bona fide* charms—not sham jewellers' things, but charms that have been worked honestly for their owners and saved multitudes

To continue with the subject of magic words—words that really do things; words that are endowed with the blessedness of "Abracadabra." Here are one or two. The word "Abracalan" drives away the ague. Keep it, therefore, about the house. For epilepsy the word "Anamzaptas" cures a man, and "Anamzapta" cures a woman. The word "Agla" should also be kept about the house because, it is good in sea storms. And the word "Abraxas" possesses qualities which not even the most fervent believer can fully comprehend. If you are attacked by a snake, do not run away but just say "Osya" and see what will happen. And if you want a really all round useful word, I will give you one for a Christmas box. Get it engraved on a ruby mounted with gold, and you will have continual good luck. The word is Bedooh. If you want another word the utterance of which brings bad luck, I can also find you one. It is a word held in execration by Arabs, Turks, and Persians. On one occasion the late Edward Palmer cleared a whole bazaar of its occupants by repeating this word aloud. They fled, shrieking and cursing, and looking to see the infidel fall dead on the spot. The word is —— But no—I reserve it for mine enemy. I shall meet him some day. I shall engage him in friendly conversation, I shall then pronounce the word aloud, and a lamp-post or a coping stone will instantly fall upon him. For my own part, I shall not be hurt, because I shall have 'Bedooh' on a ruby ring, Abracadabra in a silver cave round my neck, Abraxas in my right hand pocket, and Agla in the left.

BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA.

NO FIELD FOR INDIAN ENTERPRISE.

MR. RHODES MORGAN, Deputy Conservator of Forests, I.F.S., who has been spending eight months' furlough in Central Africa, arrived in Bombay on Wednesday morning. As a widespread impression is prevalent in India and elsewhere that Central Africa affords splendid opportunities for commercial and agricultural development in which enterprising natives of India should share, the views of so independent and unbiassed a witness as Mr. Morgan are deserving of attention. In the course of a conversation, the other evening, Mr. Morgan refrained from expressing any opinion upon the political aspect of affairs in Central Africa, but he freely and willingly gave information in relation to the commercial outlook in the districts through which he has travelled. He said that Commissioner Johnson desired to get Indian families to go and settle in British Central Afries, and succeeded in obtaining promises from a number of families in India to do so. But when the time came, they declined to go, as they could see no substantial gain to compensate them for leaving their homes and their country to be domiciled in a foreign country where the prospects of gain were uncertain and risks to health and life were great. It was very difficult to tempt the people of India to go to a country like Central Africa, as they have learned about the climatic and other disadvantages. They were willing enough to go to Natal, as they received good reports of the climate of that colony from their friends there, and they knew that a good deal of money could be earned there. On the other hand, Central Africa has already got a bad name which, in Mr. Morgan's opinion, it fully deserves. Those few natives of India, as, for instance, Bannias and Sikhs, who come back from the interior, describe it as extremely malarious. There seems no reason for them to go and settle there simply to cultivate land in malarious districts, since there is an extensive area of cultivable land in India itself, obtainable from Government on very easy terms. The Sikhs, who had visited Central Africa, had greatly suffered. There was not only terrible malarious fever, but there was also a type of "black-water fever," which was so fatal that very few persons attacked with it escape death. This fever is especially fatal in the case of Europeans. No doctors can cure it; no effectual remedy being known. Then with regard to the general health of the country, dysentry was very prevalent both amongst the Europeans and natives alike. Cholera was, however, not much known there. In fact, he heard of no cases of that terrible malady. The reason for this probably was that after two or three years the natives burnt their villages and shifted to other quarters; and, therefore, very little decomposed organic matter was left to produce disease.

Being questioned respecting the commercial situation in British Central Africa, Mr. Morgan said that the prospects were very poor. The natural products of the country were few. India-rubber is to be found, but the natives spoil the vines as they do not know how to extract it. Another product is strophanthus, which is used in the cure of affections of the heart, but this market is very easily glutted and it does not fetch good prices, the supply being greater than the demand. Groundnuts are cultivated to a very small extent by the natives. With regard to ivory the elephants are being killed of—day by day. If there were any elephants, they were mostly in Portuguese territory. Now and again some small herds might come into inhabited tracts, but as soon as a European or a Native heard of it, he immediately went out to kill them. Then with regard to gold there were three companies who were now prospecting for the metal in British Central Africa. If gold was discovered then the country must at once develope, and the wages of labourers go up. But, on the other hand, the coffee industry would be almost ruined by the discovery of gold; because the *Kaffirs* working on coffee plantations receive only a rupee and a-half per month, whereas the labourers working in gold mines were paid from three to four pounds. If gold was found in British territory, coffee plantations would cease to attract the labourers, nor would it be profitable to the planter himself in view of the increasing wages he would have to pay to the labourers, and therefore the industry would inevitably decay. Coffee was superior to Indian, and brought better prices in the London market. The labourers working in the mines at Johannesburg receive £3 or £4 per month as against only one rupee and a-half in British Central Africa for working on coffee estates. Therefore, natives from places like Senna on the river Zambezi and Mashonaland and Beira went to Johannesburg to work in gold mines; and there was no manner of doubt that this tendency to desert the coffee fields would be increased by the discovery of gold in the protectorate. Even at present coffee-farming was not an easy task. It was impossible to get manure because in the first places cattle were very scarce, and most of them which were found near lake Nyassa died from cattle disease. Artificial manure was also quite out of the question, because the cost of freight was very high. The difficulty of navigating the Zambei river was great, and the cost was absolutely prohibitive, being £6 from Chinde to Katungas, although the distance between the two places is not more than 360 miles. Again there is another most discouraging factor. Longicorn beetles are very common in the Mlanji coffee district. They live upon the roots, and they destroy about fifty per cent. of the coffee plants, in which they lay their eggs. Again the soil in the Mlanji district and over the Shire Highlands has greatly deteriorated on account of the system of cultivation adopted by the natives. It is similar to that which is called Chena in Ceylon and *Koomree* in India. Again humus or surphuss oil is frequently washed away by the water, and the soil is greatly impoverished in consequence. After relating various other causes for the impoverishment of the soil and the deterioration of crops, Mr. Morgan observed that in certain districts of Natal and Germany East Africa leaf disease exists, and said if it once got into Central Africa it will absolutely ruin the coffee estate.

Speaking about taxation Mr. Morgan said that the country is divided into districts, some of which are in charge of Collectors and some of Assistant Collectors. The only tax levied from the natives is a hut tax of three shillings per year on every hut. Those who cannot afford to pay in money, pay either in products or with their labour. In the latter case they have to work for a month at any job to which the Collector may put them, such as road making, etc. A small force of police are employed under the Collectors and Assistant Collectors, and it consists either of local Mangaujas or of Makuas from Quillimane or Mozambique and of a few men from Zanzibar. The Mangauja tribe, who have always been slaves and held in subjugation, are quiet people and

THE THEFT OF COLONEL HUMPHREY'S PAY-BILL.

YESTERDAY, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. W. Webb, Third Presidency Magistrate, Ganesh Shankar Dravid, a clerk in the office, at Poona, of Colonel Humphrey, Inspector-General of Police, Bombay Presidency; Ramchander Shankar Dravid, brother of the first accused, and an apprentice in the Military Accounts Department, Poona; Shridhar Gopal Joshi alias Bhaskrao Gangadhar Joy; Wasudeo Waman Patankhi, a native of Satara; and Bulwant Ramchandra Dravid, editor of a Mahratta newspaper, called "Gorakhi," were charged with theft, abatment, receiving and disposing of stolen property, forgery, and using as genuine a forged document, in respect of the pay-bill of Colonel Humphrey, for Rs. 2,255-13-7. Mr. F. A. Little, Public Prosecutor, conducted the prosecution. The facts of the case have been fully set out in the confessions made by the second and third accused before the magistrate, in chambers, last month.

—Ramchandra Dravid states:—I am a candidate in the Military Accounts Department. On the 1st of August last while at Poona I stole Colonel Humphrey's pay-bill, as I had a grudge against him. I went to his office one day. I was in the habit of going to the office, as my brother is employed there, and I waited for a suitable opportunity of playing some mischief on that officer, because I applied for a vacant post in his office, although he was satisfied with the examination he made of me, he gave the post to another man. I took the bill to my house. When I took it I struck out the names of Messrs. King, King and Co., by pasting a slip of red ink through it, and inserted the name of Omar Jamal in red ink. I left on the Friday morning for Bombay and arrived here on Saturday morning and lodged with Wasudeo Waman Patankhi. I took my meals and showed the bill to Mr. Wasudeo Waman and went to the Accountant-General's office. As I was going into one of the rooms one Bulwant Bapoji Gore saw me and asked me why I was there. To escape detection I told him an untruth. I told him I was Omar Jamal's clerk, and as he was a clerk in the Accountant-General's office I asked him to expedite the payment of the bill, which I showed him. He showed me the registering clerk and I took the bill to him. After he had registered it, I took it to the auditing clerk. Bulwant Bapoji got him to expedite in getting the bill through. The registering clerk had given me a token which I placed in my pocket, and when I got to the cashier he said I was to produce an authority from Omar Jamal and come again on Tuesday. I returned home and informed Wasudeo Waman of what had taken place and went to Bulwant Dravid, I then left for Poona. I went to Bulwant Dravid from Poona enclosing the token in it, and requested him to manage the business for me, as I could not get leave. He replied that he could do nothing in the matter and asked me to return. I returned to Bombay on the 16th or 17th of August, and I requested Bulwant to find a man who would do the business, as I thought that they suspected me in the Accountant-General's office and did not like to go there again. I explained these circumstances to Bulwant Dravid and told him the necessity of getting another man to do the business. Bulwant Dravid introduced Shridhar Gopal Joshi to me as a long-standing acquaintance of his, and a person who would do the business. Shridhar asked me to explain the circumstances. I told him I had robbed a bill and the bill was lying in the Accountant-General's Office ready for the want of authority, and I gave him a packet containing the supposed authority before him. When Shridhar saw that authority he had some doubts in his mind, and said he could not do the business and burnt the authority and requested me to leave for Poona at once. Hope still lingered, and I impressed on Bulwant to urge Shridhar to undertake the business. I knew there would be a fuss and I could not leave Poona unknown. Shridhar accepted the proposal and I wrote a second authority and gave it to Shridhar. That authority is dated 19th August, 1895, and signed Omar Jamal. Shridhar said if there are any enquiries made by people in the Accountant-General's office the payment would not be made, but to achieve what I wanted I told him the Accountant-General's office was in perfect darkness and they would not hesitate to give a cheque if its produced the authority and the signature. After hearing me agree to do it on Tuesday, saying it was a bad day, being the 20th, and a Tuesday reckoned by us as bad days, and as this is a bad business it should be done on a bad day. He said if they refused payment he would point me out, and asked me to accompany him to the Accountant-General's office. I accompanied him. He went inside. I stood outside. On the previous day I had shown him where the cashier sat. After a few minutes he returned with the glad news that he had received a cheque. Wasudeo Waman had accompanied us, but had gone upstairs. We went home, Shridhar and I. I signed or endorsed the cheque "Omar Jamal," as the Accountant-General's clerk directed the name should be endorsed. We then went to the Bombay Bank, Wasudeo Waman meeting us there. Shridhar went inside. Wasudeo remained as a sentinel. I stood outside. Shridhar received the money and three of us went to Shridhar's house in Kandawady. Bulwant Dravid was called to distribute the money. There was a quarrel about the distribution. Shridhar did not urge the point so much, and accepted Rs. 500, out of which he paid Rs. 50 as charity to Bulwant Dravid. I paid Bulwant Dravid Rs. 50 as his share and Rs. 30 as charity in addition, and Wasudeo paid Rs. 20 as charity to Bulwant Dravid. Wasudeo threatened me that in order to keep the secret I must pay him Rs. 500, but after all it was robbery, and I paid him Rs. 500, and with the remain ler I returned to Poona. The bill amounted to Rs. 2,255-13-5. The sum of Rs. 8-13-5 was left with the Accountant. The rest, about Rs. 880 was left with me. I paid Rs. 100 to the grocer, Rs. 100 to the tailor, and Rs. 600 I lost at the Poona horse races, and Rs. 80 I spent in purchasing an entrance ticket and in sharry hire.

Shridhar Gopal Joshi made a confession to the same effect.

Mr. Little asked that a portion might be tendered to the fifth accused, Bulwant Dravid, under section 337 of the Criminal Procedure Code. He also informed his Worship that, in addition to the charges of theft, abetment of theft, and receiving and disposing of stolen property, the prosecution would adduce evidence to bring home the charge of forgery and using as genuine a forged document. The first three accused had made confessions before the magistrate and had corroborated each other in many useful and important details.

Upon this his Worship directed Mr. Davidas P. Mahta, Interpreter of the Court, to tell accused, Bulwant R. Dravid, that a pardon would be tendered to him on condition of making a full and true disclosure of what he knew of the case.

Bulwant Dravid, the fifth accused, having expressed his willingness to conform to these conditions, he was removed from the prisoners' dock. He was examined as first witness in the magistrate. As he stepped into the witness-box,

Shridhar Gopal Joshi, the third accused, intercepted, and said he desired to make an explanation before the proceedings commenced. If the magistrate wanted to make any remark upon the accused persons turn Queen's evidence in the case, he claimed his right to that privilege.

His Worship replied that he could not see the accused had any right in the matter in it.

The accused remarked that under the circumstances the case appeared to him like the fisherman's story. He thought he ought to have been made Queen's evidence.

The magistrate observed that at this rate all the accused persons would claim to turn Queen's evidence, which it would be impossible to allow. If the accused had nothing more of importance to state before the court than what he had already said about his right to be made Queen's evidence, he had better make his application to the High Court, where the case would be sent for trial.

The condition of pardon was once more explained to Bulwant, in the witness-box, after which his evidence was recorded, and materially corroborated the confessions of the accused.

The case stands adjourned for further enquiry.

EUROPEAN CIVIL SERVICE ASSOCIATION, BOMBAY BRANCH.

AT a general meeting held at the High Court on Thursday, at 5-30 p.m., on the motion of Mr. N Oliver, seconded by Mr. G. H. Farran, Mr. J. T. Hathornthwaite was voted to the chair. The minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday, 16th November 1895 were read. It was proposed by Mr. N. Oliver, seconded by Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, that the accounts for the period December 1894 to November 1895 be passed, and this was agreed to. Mr. J. Sanders-Slater proposed, and Mr. N. Oliver seconded, that in consequence of the want of support by the members in general, it is inadvisable to continue the Bombay Branch of the European Civil Service Association. The following amendment was proposed by Mr. Chapman, seconded by Mr. G. H. Farran, that the consideration of this question be postponed and considered at a special general meeting to be called for the purpose in March or April next. The amendment on being put to the vote was carried. The original proposal, therefore, fell to the ground. Mr. Oliver proposed, and Mr. Chapman seconded, that the existing members be re-elected as the committee for 1896, and this was agreed to. With the usual compliment to the chair the meeting separated.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

List of messages remaining undelivered in the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay during the week ending 16th January 1896:—

Date.	No.	Station from	Address in full as received.
14-1-96	1239	London	Thaker.
15-1-96	251	Singapore	Bajorda.
15-1-96	1101	Rajkot	A. A. Angelo, English Hotel.
15-1-96	1295	Ahmednagar	Mrs. A. G. Porch Watsons.
15-1-96	308	Bhavnagar	Mr. Jamsheji Khanshed Sanjana, Padayat D aramsala, Chursi Road.
13-1-96	6547	Nasik	Mr. Gajadhur Persha l Tiwanee, care of Narain jee Hyde Victoria Terminus.
9-1-96	7871	Warlor, Trichy.	Mr. D. A. Rodrigues, care of C. F. Cousens, Esq., Broulk
13-1-96	8047	Goa	Mr. P. S. Da Silva, Market.

THE Board of Trade, in conjunction with the Admiralty, have taken action upon the report of the Departmental Committee on the screening of sidelights of ships. The two departments have submitted an Order in Council, rescinding the previous order of December 30, 1893, and there can be no doubt that this new order will receive sanction in due course. In the meantime the Board of Trade have issued instructions to their surveyors cancelling the Order in Council and adopting the recommendations of the committee which we have already reported. The instructions relating to the screening of lights to an angle of convergence of four degrees from the outside edge of the wick are no longer to be put in force, and instead of that the surveyors are to carry out the directions contained in the report of the committee. The procedure in the mercantile marine will thus be brought into uniformity with that prevailing in her Majesty's Navy.

MADAME DUSE is not writing a book. The rumour to the contrary is, we learn from a note from Mr. Laurence Alma Tadema, causing this distinguished Italian actress some annoyance.

A LOVELY BEAUTIFUL FACE!—Beauty Charm and Rimmel-le-Camilla are recommended as harmless and irresistible Face Gels, Cosmetique, imparting fresh bloom to the cheeks, and velvet-smoothness to the complexion. Every Box is a MAGICAL WONDER. 2s. 6d. Sold by all Chemists, Stores, &c.

MANUAL TRAINING AT AHMEDNAGAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The University Senate at a recent meeting gave its sanction to "Manual Training" as a voluntary subject for the University School Final Examination, and about a year ago the Government of Bombay adopted it for the Public Service Certificate Examinations, and added Manual Training to the Code as "Schedule J." It may not be generally known, however, that this movement, which is destined to produce very great changes in our educational system, had its origin in the Ahmednagar Mission High School, where the Rev. Cortiss W. Lay a young man, who had studied in the Chicago Manual Training School, opened a class for such work in 1891. Mr. Lay's workshop was a plain building, 25 feet by 60 feet, furnished with a lathe, a small circular saw, and carpenters' benches for twenty-four boys. Each boy was supplied with three chisels, a tenon saw, two squares, two planes, a mallet, a hammer, a gauge, a two-foot rule and an oil-stone, the whole plant costing about Rs. 1,000. Until the University adopted the subject for the purposes of the U. S. F. Examination, a few weeks ago, boys who took up manual training in the School had to learn, besides, all the regular subjects of the High School course. Although the Manual Training course was a difficult one, and included the First Grade Drawing Certificate of the School of Art, boys were eager, from the outset, to take up the subject, and it has always been impossible to admit nearly all who have applied for admission. Now that the subject has been "recognized" by Government and the University, every boy in the school would join the Manual Training class, if he could be admitted, and all who have been admitted would spend the whole day there if allowed to do so. As many of these boys are looking forward not to the U. S. F. Examination, but to the Matriculation, they have not the Public Service in view as might be supposed. Professor A. W. Thomson, D.Sc., C.E., Government Examiner of Technical Education, has twice visited the school in his official capacity, October 15th, 1895:—"The first-year students made drawings of, and constructed, in teak, a cogged joint, and 9 of the 14 candidates passed. The second-year students made drawings of, and constructed, in teak, a dovetail joint. These students were candidates for the new certificates in Manual Training, and a high standard of work was therefore required, and 10 of the 19 present passed. The number of pupils on the roll has increased from 21 to 31 during the year, and the zeal in carrying on the work has not diminished. Government has now been pleased to grant a certificate in manual training and to recognize this as one of the optional subjects at the Public Service Examination. This will, without doubt, make the subject more and more popular. In this school the commercial element is entirely left out. All the energy and the short time passed in the work-shops are devoted to the instruction of the pupils, so as to get the best possible results. From an educational point of view, I consider this a model school, and one of which the American Mission Board may well feel proud." The most interesting feature of this work is its influence in "moulding" character. Many boys utterly fail, as is too well known, in the ordinary High School course, and are looked down upon by masters and friends as "duncs," with the result that they soon lose self-respect, associate with low companions, and lead dissolute lives. Manual training reforms some of such. It provides a new test of ability—a test not supplied by a literary course. It discovers hidden talents. One such boy had been expelled from this school for persistent bad conduct. After some months he was readmitted, and put into the Industrial Department, where he soon stood at the head of a class of 40 boys. He is pleased with himself, his teachers are pleased with him, and there is no better behaved boy in the whole school. Many have actually dunces turn out to be the best students in carpentry and drawing. Heredity, too, accounts for none of our success. The most intelligent student we have had is a Brahman. The most active one, a Native Christian; and an African, while Parsis and Mahomedans have done admirably. Not one is the son of a carpenter.

PROPOSED ENLARGEMENT.

The popularity of manual training, its marked success, as well as its practical character, furnish sufficient justification for enlargement. It is proposed to put up new buildings and supply them with tools and appliances at a total cost of Rs. 17,000. Of this sum Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit has promised to contribute Rs. 8,000, and it is hoped that Government and the Indian public will contribute the remaining Rs. 9,000. Upon the American Mission will fall the burden of supporting the work when thus enlarged. A number of gentlemen in Bombay have promised assistance, and others, it is believed, will contribute when an opportunity is presented. Messrs. Forbes, Watson and Co. will receive subscriptions, and any further information in reference to the scheme will be furnished on application to

JAMES SMITH, Principal.

Ahmednagar, Jan. 16.

MR. BRYCE ON AMERICA, ARMENIA, AND AFRICA.

MR. BRYCE, who has recently returned from a holiday tour in South Africa, has been interviewed by a representative of the "Daily Chronicle" as to his views of Armenia, Venezuela, and South Africa. With regard to the dispute respecting Venezuela, Mr. Bryce admitted that he was not in possession of the despatches, but added:—

I cannot believe—whatever some politicians may have said and whatever a few journalists may have said—that the American people have seriously contemplated war over a matter in which they have so slight and remote an interest. And it is not necessary to discuss the Monroe doctrine, because it is not involved in this matter. If you look at what President Cleveland said, it has no application whatever to a case of this kind. Here it is a question of a boundary dispute between England and a country which has no claim whatever to American sympathy or American interest, except the bare fact that Venezuela, though not of low type, it masquerades under the name of a Republic. I have so much confidence in the good sense and calmness of the American people, that I cannot think that the risk of a war between England and America, which, humanly speaking, would be the greatest calamity it would be possible to inflict on mankind, I cannot look upon the risk of such a war as a real danger, whatever these momentary alarms may be.

As to Turkey and Armenia Mr. Bryce declared that "it is quite plain that the Turks are deliberately taking every opportunity that comes to their hand of exterminating the Christian populations; they [illegible] are driving them to beggary, and forcing them into the Mahomedan religion. No one (added Mr. Bryce) who knows anything of these subject can fail to recognize the awful risks that lie round the solution of the Eastern Question, which, of course, must be the extinction of the subtanate. But without going so far, the horrors which we read of daily can be stopped by the exercise of a little physical pressure, avoiding those larger issues that must be left to the future."

As to South Africa Mr. Bryce had little to say. He was not surprised at the news from the Transvaal and hoped President Kruger would be successful. He declined to express any opinion as to the merits of the "Uitlander" question. It was a very grave situation. He thought immigrants were wanted in Cape Colony and no such struck with the cordial feeling between the English and Dutch settlers there. He was pleased with what he had seen in the lands of the Chartered Company. Speaking of the feeling in South Africa towards the mother-country, Mr. Bryce said that he had not been in any British colony where he had found the attachment to England greater.

MR. ST. GEORGE LITTLEDALE'S JOURNEY ACROSS THIBET.

MR. ST. GEORGE LITTLEDALE and Mrs. Littledale have just returned to England after accomplishing a remarkable and hazardous journey across Thibet. They were accompanied by Mr. Littledale's nephew, Mr. W. A. Fletcher, who proved in every way an excellent travelling companion. Mr. Littledale will have a full account of his journey at an early meeting of the Royal Geographical Society.

The party left England in the autumn of 1894. They entered the north of Thibet from Kashgar across the Karam-lun Mountains by the Church-un River, with a great caravan of horses, mules, and donkeys. The travellers kept well to the west of the route followed by Prince Henry of Orleans and M. Bonvalot. For eight months they were travelling at an altitude of 17,000 feet, and, on their approach to Lhasa, had to cross a difficult pass rising to a height of about 20,000 feet. The hardships that were endured were most trying to all, and we regret to say that Mrs. Littledale has suffered seriously. Of about 100 animals only a score or so succeeded in reaching the neighbourhood of Lhasa. The result was that Mr. Littledale had to abandon most of his collections including many natural history specimens. Still, he has succeeded in bringing home a fair collection of birds. By the pass referred to above the party succeeded in reaching within forty miles of Lhasa, nearer than any European has got since the days of Abbe Huc. This success was not attained without risk. Leaving the pass was a troop of 250 men armed with matchlocks, who threatened to fire if the party dared to pass. No one was more determined to go on than Mrs. Littledale, although there were only three armed sepoys with the party. As a matter of fact, the travellers did pass through the gauntlet of matchlock men, not one of whom fired a shot. Mr. and Mrs. Littledale had quite made up their minds to enter Lhasa. They would have done so, but when they camped after crossing the pass the donkeys, on which were all their baggage, provisions, etc., had not turned up, and, indeed, they did not come up till after the lapse of some time. During this account and partly on account of Mrs. Littledale's health, Mr. Littledale determined not to force the position, but to turn westwards towards Ladak. The Thibetans insisted on the party returning as they came, across the terrible pass, but this they absolutely refused to do, and, as usual, on the display of firmness, the Thibetans yielded and allowed the travellers to go their own way. Mr. Littledale would have liked much to go south into Sikkim, but, under the circumstances, this was impossible. He therefore proceeded north-west by Tengri-Nor and the group of lakes which lie between that and Ladak. The party arrived in Srinagar a few weeks ago.

Although Mr. Littledale did not succeed in actually entering Lhasa, says the "Times," he has accomplished far more than any one expected he would do, considering the conditions under which he travelled. He has traversed a very great extent of unexplored country, both in approaching Lhasa and in leaving it. His map is an admirable piece of work, in view of the circumstances under which it must have been executed. There are about thirty sheets, each about eighteen inches square, on which are plotted with wonderful minuteness the features of the country through which the party passed. The scale of the map is five miles to the inch. It does Mr. Littledale the highest credit, and forms a substantial addition to the least known part of Central Asia. Altogether the expedition promises to take a high rank in the history of geographical exploration.

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AFFAIRS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

VIEWS OF A NATIONAL UNIONIST.

"SOMETERRIBLE INFORMATION."

It having been announced that Mr. Hess had been prevailed upon at the last moment to postpone his return to South Africa, in order to remain in England in the interest of the Uitlanders, a representative of "The Globe" sought an interview with him to obtain his opinion on the situation as affected by Dr. Jameson's defeat.

"Yes," said Mr. Hess, in answer to an inquiry, "it has been represented to me from a source I do not like to reveal, but of such an influential nature as to make the pressure strong, that my continued presence here may be of service to the Uitlanders. I am proud of the fact that I am an original member of the National Transvaal Union, and I am sacrificing my private interests in the Transvaal, which are very great at this moment, to remain here, because I see that otherwise in the next three weeks which will prove the turning point in the Uitlanders' career, I should be on the sea and isolated from all that is going on."

"What do you think is the significance of the latest development?"—"Well, I must put it in my own way. I have previously expressed the strong opinion that emphatically it was Mr. Chamberlain's duty to cable to President Kruger that he insisted, as representing the interests of the Transvaal, that hostilities on the part of the Boers towards Dr. Jameson should not be commenced; that Jameson should be allowed peaceably to enter Johannesburg, there to place himself in communication with her Majesty's Resident, who is there at the present moment and by cable with her Majesty's Government. That, I think, is the last that the suzerain of a country could be expected to do under the circumstances. Mr. Chamberlain has either done this, or he has not. If he has, then the defiance of President Kruger to this insistence has been naturally the cause of poor Dr. Jameson's fate. If the Colonial Secretary has not done this, I leave the public to draw the inference."

"Is it not likely that now the Boers will be more overbearing than ever?"

"I tell you my idea of the position, and I speak from experience. If the Johannesburg of 1893 is the Johannesburg I knew last June, the city has risen and has either succeeded or failed in its attempt to restore liberty to Dr Jam son and his men."

"How do you account then for the passive attitude of the people in Johannesburg on the approach of Jameson."

"Well, they may have felt so confident that Jameson would succeed. We have no published news yet as to what Johannesburg has done since he failed. I have had some information this morning, not from the source of my previous cables, but the news is of so grave—so terrible a nature that I am taking means to verify it at the earliest possible moment. Until it has been verified I dare not give publicity to it. I can only say I am satisfied in my own mind as to the truth of the cable, and I shall take the earliest opportunity of communicating with the public through your columns. The news tells of what has happened since the defeat of Jameson. Up to now my information has all along been verified. I predicted they were fighting when they were. I also gave information of the Boer march on Johannesburg. I feel that greater responsibility is cast upon me now, and this makes me over cautious, it may be."

"Won't you give any idea of what it refers to?"

"No; I don't think it is all so terribly right." "At first it was said that the Australian Uitlanders would help their English friends, but the information now varies."

"So they will," answered Mr. Hess vehemently. "So will the Cornish miners, and the Americans will, despite all the trouble. So will everybody in Johannesburg, for it is pitiful to think that Johannesburg are practically no Boers in Johannesburg, except three armed burghers parading the streets. The district through which Jameson marched is a hot-bed of Boerdom. It has been infested from the thirties with the settlers, every two miles a dagree, and it is not at all astonishing that a collision ensued."

"The statement has been made," Mr. Hess continued, "that it was a filibustering expedition, but if he had been I think that Dr. Jameson, as a soldier that he is, would have taken a comparatively small force of men with him. Again, if it had been a filibustering expedition Dr. Jameson had plenty of opportunities on his line of route to sack Zerust, Krino, and Potchefstroom. I still adhere to my opinion that Dr. Jamason entered the Transvaal for the purpose of defence, not of aggression or defiance."

"Do you think that accounts for his decisive defeat?"

"He was fighting with the knowledge that he had been repudiated by the English Government, by his greatest friend, Cecil Rhodes, by her Majesty's High-Commissioner at the Cape, and her Majesty's Resident at the Transvaal. I repudiated him, as I think that that is sufficient for a man with the stoutest heart (and Dr. Jameson is such a man) losing his courage, and then surrendering with a chivalrous desire to save the men who had so gallantly followed him. Although in the 'African Critic' to-morrow I shall have something to say about him and other Chartered officials in their connection with various events, for which I repudiated him, as a person for answering the call of those in Johannesburg, on whom the terrible responsibility now rests of vindicating his action."

"What do you think as to his fate?"

"Well, I know Johannesburg. Dr. Jameson's fate, unless he has been murdered or shot on the spot, is as safe as any man's in England."

Asked as to the number of men available on both sides, Mr. Hess said he believed at the present moment the total of male adult Uitlanders was about 80,000. Of these something like 10,000 of other nationalities would not fight on our side, but the natives available from the mines, and those in town work (mainly men) could be reckoned on, who would give 115,000 adults. Altogether the Boers and their sympathisers, could muster 30,000. That would give a big preponderance of Anti-Boer strength, but of course, nearly all are concentrated in Johannesburg. Mr. Hess did not know of any Maxim guns in the golden city; there were rifles in plenty enough to arm every man, but all really depended on the Maxims.

ATTITUDE OF GERMANY.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Times" says that although the German Government take a very strong view, being a military despotism, of the interests of its own subjects who are resident or whose capita' is invested in the Transvaal, but to the kindred people who look to Germany for the protection of the national independence, it is perhaps in that direction that the chief danger lies. It is scarcely probable that, whatever happens in the Transvaal, events will result in an open rupture between Germany and England, though such a contingency could not be ruled out entirely as there are unscrupulously powerful advocates. But I am not speaking without authority when I state that as far as Germany is concerned the issue of this question may determine her relations with England, whether they shall continue to be, as during the last six years at least, one of friendship and goodwill, or whether it shall be one of calculated hostility. Any tampering with the sacred principle involved in the Monroe doctrine conclusively and irrevocably that growing distrust of England to which I have so frequently alluded. British statesmanship has been for some time past suspected here of speculating for its own purposes upon the apparent division of Continental Europe into two irreconcilable camps, and of even encouraging that division in order to secure for itself greater liberty of action in other parts of the world. There are many who believe that if an alliance between England and Germany were not so firmly entrenched in South Africa that she can afford to play there a game of reckless defiance, she must not forget that in North Africa Germany possesses a position which is by no means so invulnerable. Nor is the Egyptian question the only one which might serve as a useful basis for composing at England's expense many of the differences which divide Europe towards the present moment. It might thus be inflicted up in England much more effectively and easily than by any attempt forcibly to oppose her schemes of aggrandisement, per fas et nefas, in South Africa.

SCENE AT THE NEW OLYMPIC.

An extraordinary scene was witnessed at the New Olympic Theatre in London during the performance of "Cleaner, Boys Cheer." During the presentation of a tableau, entitled the "Last Stand," founded on the massacre of Captain Wilson's party in Matabeleland, a man in the gallery shouted out towards the close of the spectacle, "That's the way Englishmen can die. To——with the Boers." The effect of this interruption was electrical, and the pent-up excitement of the densely-crowded house resulted in hearty cheers raised again and again. During the tableau Mr. Jimmy Neville had to mention the name of Dr. Jameson, and this called forth a fresh demonstration from the audience, and, in fact, every reference to Johannesburg and the prisoners so raised the greatest enthusiasm among the spectators.

PHIL MAY'S START.

IT has not been the lot of many artists, humorous or otherwise, to leap to fame with the meteoric brilliancy and speed of Mr. Phil May. He is only just thirty-one, but his name is known in nearly every British house hold, and his work appreciatively recognised all the world round.

Born in Leeds, he had betrayed the possession of an artistic mind by the time he was eight years of age. His "forte" at that period was the portrayal of battle pieces, with a supernabundance of smoke and bayonets. He attained to the dignity of twelve years of age he was taken from school and, in curious recognition of his artistic tastes, sent to an architect's office.

But two weeks' attendance there was enough for the boy; he turned his back on the place and joined himself to a touring theatrical company. Here he filled a double capacity; he took minor—very minor—parts on the stage, and filled the other, the major portion, of his time in portraying or caricaturing the leading members of the company for the advertisement bills exhibited in shop windows of the towns through which they passed.

For four years this Bohemian life was endured, and then he returned to Leeds, contributing work to a local paper. His talent was recognised the same year by the manager of the Leeds theatre asking him to design dresses for the pantomime.—"Cassell's Family Magazine."

GOLD AND SILVER.

THE imports and exports of gold and silver during the official year 1895-96 up to 8th January are as follows:—

In the month of November 1895.

	Gold. Rs.	Silver. Rs.	Total. Rs.
Imports	67,61,079	56,95,936	1,24,56,015
Exports	15,93,223	12,71,789	4,64,013
Net Imports	51,67,856	44,24,153	95,51,009

To the end of the month of November 1895.—(Progressive).

	Gold. Rs.	Silver. Rs.	Total. Rs.
Imports	3,21,85,152	4,91,13,751	8,12,98,903
Exports	1,76,15,501	1,60,72,807	3,36,88,313
Net Imports	1,45,69,646	3,14,40,747	4,91,20,393

Silver received and coined in the Mints during the official year 1895-96.

Coins and Bullion received (assay value).

	Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
In the month of Nov. 1895	3,594	*11,79,338	11,82,932
To the end of the month of November 1895. (Progressive)	7,71,610	65,80,300	73,80,310

Coined and Examined.

	Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
In the month of Nov. 1895	4,17,003	127,81,027	32,02,310
To the end of the month of October 1895 (Progressive)	6,70,076	63,70,201	69,00,207

* of which Rs. 11,42,057 represent bullion received for British Dollar Coinage from the Straits.

† Equivalent to 12,35,620 British Dollars.

THE ASHANTEE EXPEDITION.

SIR FRANCIS SCOTT, with his staff, and Prince Christian Victor have reached Prahsu. The Prince was in good health, but spoke of the trying bush march as being distinctly hot. He found quarters for himself in the commandant's hut. He was accompanied by Major Pigott.

"Reuter's" special correspondent with the Expeditionary Force says:—

Up to Prahsu arrangements have been made for erecting rest-huts at the five different camping stations, so that the troops will not have need to pitch tents at the end of the day's march. Beyond the Prah, the following are the details of the number of the troops:—Seven hundred and eighty-six white troops, comprising the composite battalion and the West Yorkshire Regiment, with 400 of the West India Regiment and 900 Hausas—in all 1,786 men. To provide the large number of carriers required to look after them, to see that they do not desert or drop their packs, will be a task that will try to the utmost the resources of the transport officers. Lieutenant-Colonel Ward, who is Assistant Adjutant-General for the Transport and Administrative Services, has in this respect an immense responsibility weighing upon him, but the excellent arrangements he has made will, it is hoped, be sufficient to take all safely to bear it. Beyond the Prah each unit will carry three days' rations (each soldier in addition carrying an emergency ration), together with a supply of Martini-Henry ammunition. In the rear of the troops will follow, within reasonable distance, so as to be easily called up if necessary, a supply column, with four days' rations and a good supply of ammunition. To provide for the transport of the latter the hammock-Castle, and will be driven up country. A section of bakers will be sent across the Prah, and will bake fresh bread at the defensive posts which are to be established. The troops have been thoroughly well equipped in every respect for the march to Coomassie, and for any fighting which may take place on the way.

The total number of sick at the base of the expedition is about forty. There is only one officer on the list, and the condition of none of the invalided is considered dangerous. Corporal Dickinson, A.S.C., has, however, died at Faykuma from heat apoplexy.

On Dec. 31 a palaver was held between Sir Francis Scott and the King of Akim-Ashantee, Prince Henry of Battenberg being also present. The King, who has a powerful following, has come expressly to pay his respects to the Commander-in-Chief. Sir Francis Scott informed the King that he was proceeding to Coomassie to enforce the commands of Queen Victoria, and that, as a result of the expedition, Ashantee would be one of the protected states of the Empire, Bengal, Madras, and Bombay nine regiments of Cavalry, 88 batteries and companies of Artillery, and 53 battalions of Infantry. The Bengal command still takes up the largest portion of the British troops in India, having some 24,000, and the new command of the Punjab comes next with 20,000; and of the two other commands Bombay has about 1,000 more men than Madras, the latter including Burma.

It is stated that the number of horses and mules employed in Army Service at the present time is about 27,000, the number being somewhat in excess of the establishment of 26,826. The greater portion of these animals are employed in the Cavalry and Artillery Service, which between them have nearly 25,000 in about equal portions; the 20,000 of the Horse Field and Mountain Batteries requiring as many animals as the Cavalry Service with about the same number of officers and men. The number of horses provided for the Cavalry is, roughly, about equal to two-thirds of the establishment of men, the regiments in India having more than proportionate to those at home, where arrangements are made for bringing up the horse strength in emergency. The Engineers have only about 400 horses for their many purposes, and the Army Service Corps, 2,391 strong, the Infantry have some 650 for regimental transport. In India the number of animals used by the Artillery is much larger than those used by the Cavalry, whilst at home the proportions are reversed. In Egypt the British troops have about 700 horses, and there are a hundred less in South Africa, the only Colony in which the mounted services are in any strength. Those coming into the British establishment make a home total of over 14,500 horses and mules, whilst India accounts for some 12,500.

BOMBAY STEEPLECHASES, 1896.

TO BE HELD ON 25TH JANUARY.

COMPLETE ENTRIES.

FIRST RACE—"Bombay Grand Annual"

First Entries, 15th November

1 Mr Frankland's, b w m, Maid Marion
2 Miss Wilson's, b aus g, Legacy
3 Capt Young's, ch ch m, Lolah
4 Mr Falconer's, ch w g, Herculos
5 Mr Townsend's, b w g, Hurry-up, by Pacific, out of Lady Bird

6 Mr Littleton's, b g, Horny Wink
7 Mr Littleton's, b aus g, Napoleon
8 Lieut Anderson's, b g, Mahseer
9 Mr Cecil Gray's, bl or br g, New Zealand Oyster
10 Mr R J Hunter's, ch aus h, Luxury, by First Lord, out of Lady Bird

11 Mr R J Hunter's, ch aus h, Boots, by the Butler—dam Lenore

Second Entries, 15th December

12 Mr Burder's, b w gold, Imperial
13 Mr Ommaney's, b w gold, The Fiyer (gold)
14 Capt R St C Lockhart's, br aus gold, Lunely
15 The Hon R H de Montmorency's, br w gold, Kettledrum

Final Entries, 15th January

16 Mr J B's, ch w gold, Fun Right
17 Mr Waddington's, br aus m, Rima

SECOND RACE—"The Galloway Chase"

First Entries, 15th November

1 Mr Followe's, b ob gal, Bullington
2 Mr Dillon's, b ch gal, Sharpshooter
3 Mr Littleton's, g g al, Saco I
4 Major Milton's, g g al, Kilmore
5 Major Milton's, wh h, Full Moon
6 Capt Ross' g ob m, Sally
7 Mr Lyndon's, g g al, Bonnie Boy
8 Mr Townsend's, g g al, Phim
9 Mr Townsend's, g g al, Wait-a-bit
10 Mr Falconer's, b a p, Purple Heather
11 Mr Falconer's, b a p, Mahseer
12 Mr Ali bai Talob's, ch a gal, Kava kib
13 Major Mercer's, Dun kther m, Missoni

Second Entries, 15th December

14 The Hon R H de Montmorency's, ch a p, Salim

Final Entries, 15th January

Nil

THIRD RACE—"Amalgamation Plate"

First Entries, 15th November

1 Major Francis', ch a gal, Revour
2 Mr Cecil Gray's, g g gal, Hermit

Second Entries, 15th December

Nil

Final Entries, 15th January

Nil

FOURTH RACE—"The Lilliput Chase"

First Entries, 15th November

1 Major Milton's, wh a p, Full Moon
2 Mr Cecil Gray's, wh a p, Geordie
3 Mr Cecil Gray's, b a p, Mangoon
4 Agha Jungali Shah's, ch a p, Red Hazard
5 Major Mercer's, ch kthr m, Murmur,

Second Entries, 15th December

Nil

Final Entries, 15th January

6 H H the Chief of Kagal's, b w gold, Hero (13-2)

FIFTH RACE—"The Light Horse Cup"

First Entries, 15th November

1 Trooper Stephen's, b w g, Devarou
2 Trooper Jeffray's, br w g, Gadwell
3 Mr Gordon's, b w g, Blackbird
4 Mr Cyril Webster's, b w g, Dainty

Second Entries, 15th December

5 Mr Rome's, b w gold, Jack Ray

Final Entries, 15th January

6 Trooper T L Roberts', b w m, Nora (age 4)

BOMBAY EXTRA RACES, 1896.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY.

THIRD RACE—"BYCULLA STAKES"—Under Allowances add the word "and horses" after "Galloways"; it should read: "Galloways and horses landed since August 1895, 5lbs.", &c., &c.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 16.

Jones, Lt, Bo, Durham L I, on leave, from Poona
Crawford, Capt, Bo, 7th B I, from leave, from England
Clowes, Capt, Bo, G I Dept, from leave, from England
Carmichael, Lt, Bengal, R F, from leave, from England
Watt, Lt, Punjab, Gordon Highs, from leave, from England
Lafone, Capt, Punjab, 1st Devon Regt, from leave, from England
Kemball, Capt, Punjab, 5th Gookhas, from leave, from England

DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 17.

Hay, Lieut, Bo, 7th B I, on leave, to Raipur
Corbet, 2nd Lt, Mo, 33rd M I, from leave, to Mandalay
Moberley, Lt, Ma, 8th M I, from leave, to Barrackpore

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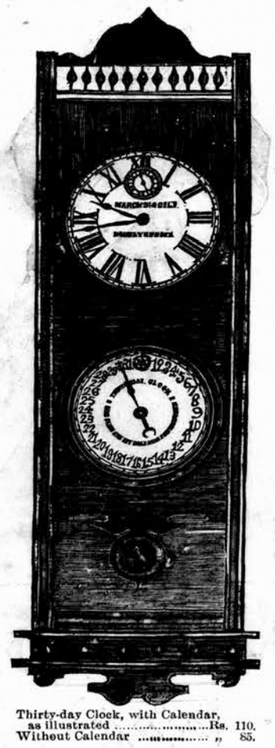

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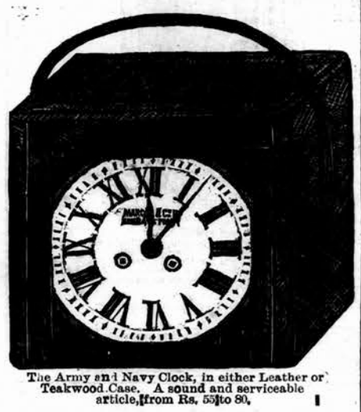

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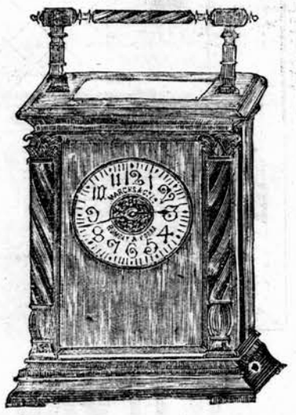

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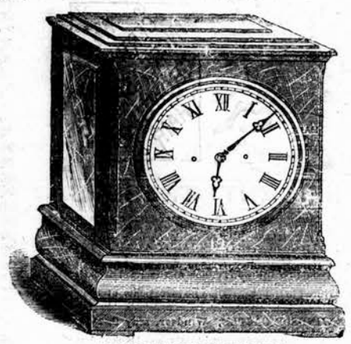

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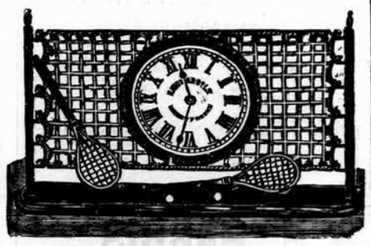

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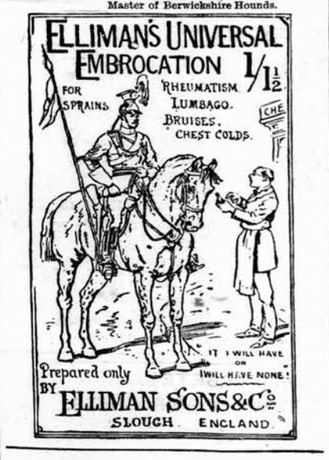

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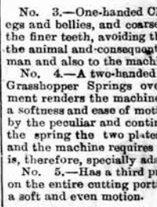

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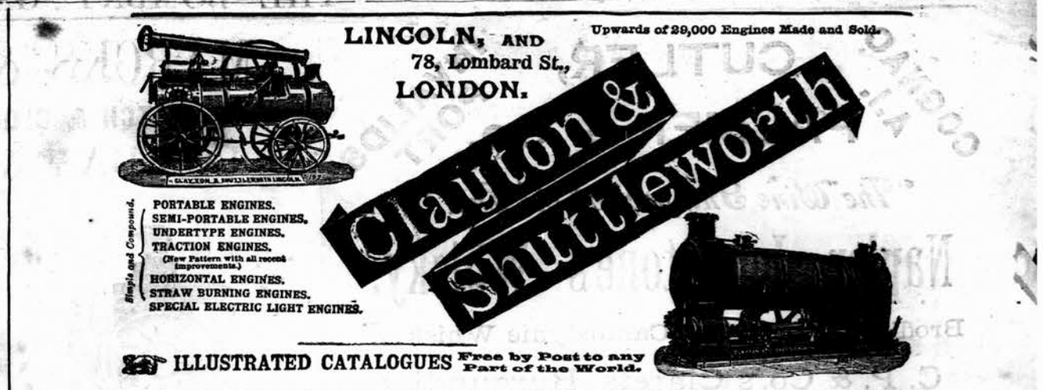

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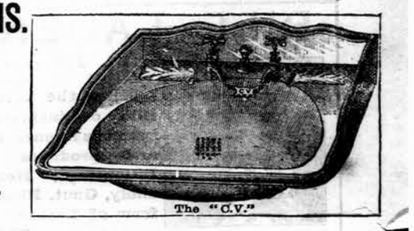

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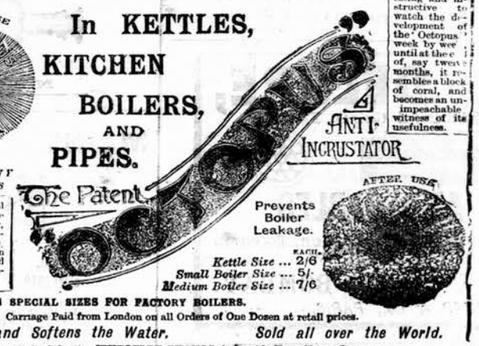

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